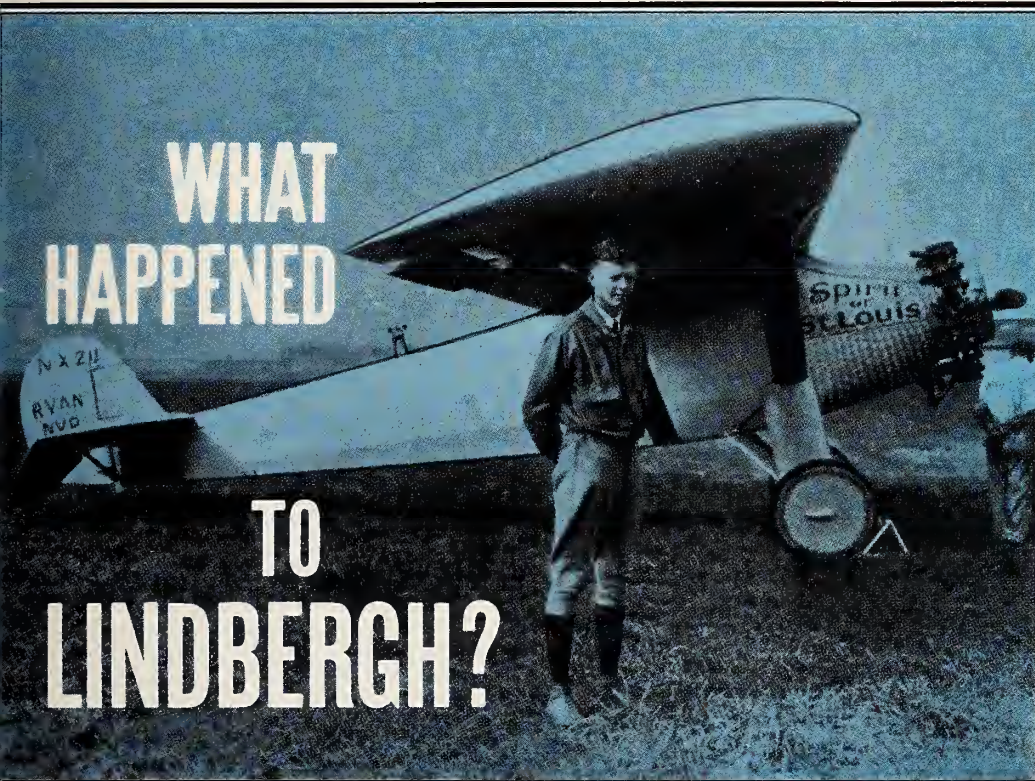


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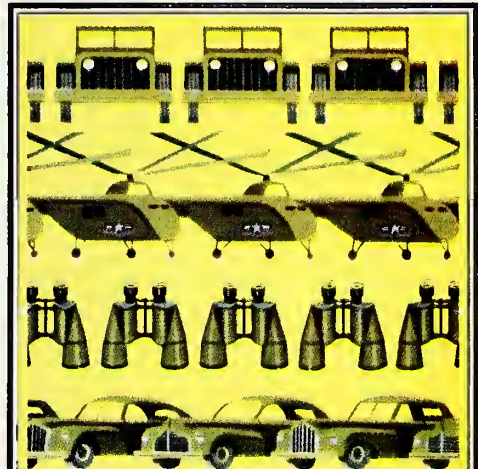
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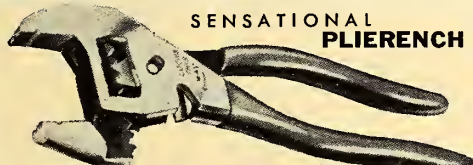
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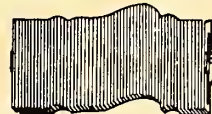
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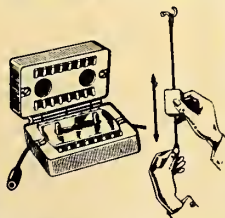
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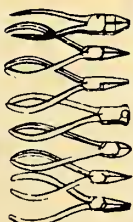


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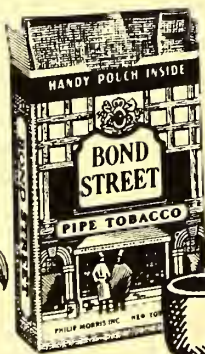
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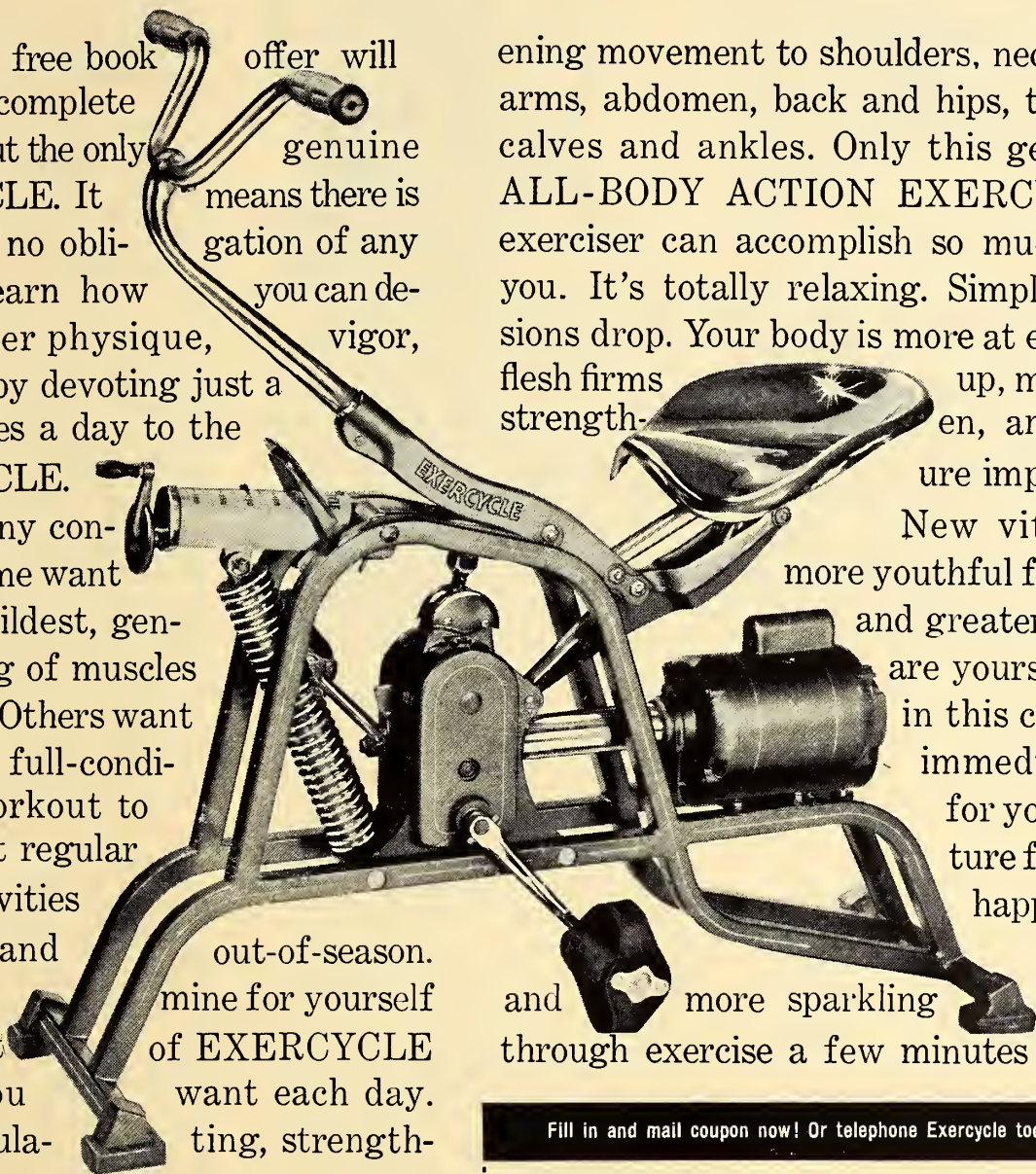
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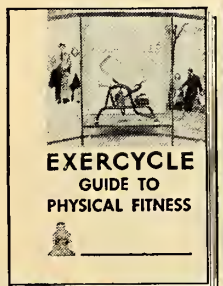
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TIME TO GET WISE

SIR: When is our government going to get wise to Nehru? During the Korean War this fellow provided only an ambulance unit to fight the communists. Yet when it came to crushing the anti-communist Katanga regime, thousands of his Gurkha troops were provided. Large sections of India have been invaded by Mao Tse-tung's army and Nehru contents himself with plaintive whimpers. However, with much bravado he turns against the tiny Portuguese enclave of Goa. The Portuguese, of course, are bitterly anti-communistic. A little more of the Nehru inconsistency can be found in India's voting record in the U.N., where this idealistic "neutralist" can usually be found voting the communist ticket. And this is the fellow that a silly bipartisan give-away policy has rewarded with billions of dollars contributed by U.S. taxpayers. Too bad such experts as the A.D.A. troika of Kenneth Galbraith, "Soapy" Williams and Chester Bowles can't understand some simple facts of life.

JOHN W. SAUNDERS
East Northfield, Mass.

TACTIC

SIR: Even a cursory knowledge of communist tactics reveals that one of the favorite tricks of the Communist Party and its undercover agents and willing dupes is to hang the tag of "anti-Semitism" or "anti-Negro" on any and all anti-communists, regardless of whether such a tag is justified or not. Once such a label has been affixed, the effectiveness of that individual or group in promoting American principles has been seriously damaged or rendered politically ineffective.

STAN McCaffrey
Freeport, N.Y.

What Mr. McCaffrey says is true but there are anti-Semitic and anti-Negro rabble-rousers who seek support by proclaiming that they are anti-communists. Such trouble-makers should be avoided.

The Editors.

WANTS SHELTERS

SIR: To the many significant causes The American Legion has supported in the past, I should like to see added one cause more: a realistic program for fallout shelters. We have malingered too long on this. We need fallout shelters. Russia has them. Unless we snap out of our doldrums, we shall have ample time for "studies": we can study the fine free fall of enemy warheads across our skies, and the ruddy glow of radiation on the cheeks of survivors who can still stumble around between blast centers. Somehow we must have an end to this shameful irresolution. We must have a national program—one that will put fallout shelters in all our towns and cities, along all our major highways, at all our major road junctions. We must have them quickly. If money is short, we can start with that \$750 million which McNamara says we needn't spend on aircraft.

JAMES W. McNEIL,
Huntsville, Ala.

Sir: Please consider the following three-point program: 1. Each Post should either build or find shelters for their communities—stock them with government surplus food, water, beds, and supervise them. 2. Unpaid volunteers at each Post—serving under Civil Defense officers—should form police and riot squads, to be armed and uniformed if necessary, in case of emergency! 3. Each Post should participate in drills, training and making sure every family has a plan to ensure food and shelter. Advantages to the town, village, or city and to the Legion would be great. We have the organization, the manpower, and can acquire the know-how! Shall we try it, now, before it's too late?

LUKE J. ANTHONY
Fort Recovery, Ohio

WHAT TO DO?

SIR: I want to commend your efforts to awaken Legionnaires to the dangers of communism. But may I make a few suggestions? The first thing each member asks himself is: "What can I do? Where is the best place to start? Where can I get assistance?" I think it's time to help every Post in the country to start a study plan on communism. Many Posts don't even discuss world affairs at their meetings. We have two Posts in Madison. Post 601 has just started studying communism, but the Jay Wilson Post has been very active in anti-communist work in this vicinity. *The American Legion Magazine* should step forward with a study plan of its own or should suggest other study groups that can help.

JOSEPH KALISH
Madison, Ohio

CRISIS AFTER CRISIS

SIR: I am getting fed up with one "crisis" after another, and negotiations after negotiations with Russia over Berlin and other incidents created to agitate the free world and often to

cover up for some dirty deal elsewhere. Why can't we tell them where we draw the line and stick to it? They didn't negotiate with Hungary or Poland. All they understand is power and force.

ENCIL MIZER
Delta, Ohio

WON'T BUY IT

SIR: Recent attacks on right-wing groups, made by men in high places, prompt questions in the minds of people. These prominent men are, in effect, saying that the U.S. Government can do no wrong, and it is not to be criticized. There are millions of citizens who will not buy that and they are not afraid to say so.

HAROLD KERLIN
South Milwaukee, Wisc.

THE SENATOR: PRO AND CON

SIR: As a plain blue-cap Legionnaire I find it difficult to express my deep appreciation of Irene Corbally Kuhn's brilliantly written "Senator Fulbright: The Man and the Memo," in the January issue. It certainly tends to restore confidence in an organization of veterans who purport to be "associated together for God and country." This definitely indicates that there is in this organization at least a nucleus of super-patriots with guts enough to call a spade a spade.

VICTOR T. BROOME
Fond du Lac, Wisc.

SIR: The irresponsible article by Irene Kuhn concerning Senator Fulbright angered me into this reply. How anyone on an intelligent basis could favorably compare Senator Strom Thurmond or Barry Goldwater with Senator Fulbright amazes me but what bothers me most is the fact that The American Legion would allow its publication to be used for such an irresponsible and inaccurate smear of a great American Statesman. There is as a matter of fact no campaign to muzzle critics of communism except in the minds of these superpatriots who prefer to attack liberal patriotic Americans rather than face up to the real menace which is external.

RICHARD L. PITT
Bellevue, Wash.

LET THE CHIPS FALL

SIR: Allow me to congratulate you most sincerely on your January issue. It was a remarkably magnificent bit of informational Americanism. Please let us have more of this kind of Legion reporting. The people of the U.S.A. are sorely in need of all such factual material. We need it before it is too late. Pull out all stops and let the chips fall where they will.

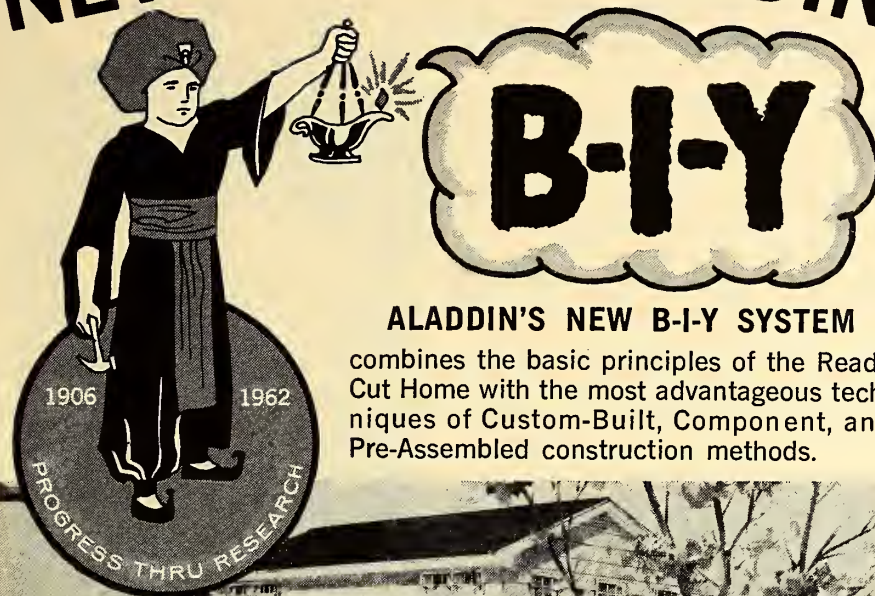
R. L. BEAVIN
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WHY?

SIR: Why is it that every time the "chips are down" in competition with our gravest enemy, that those who di-

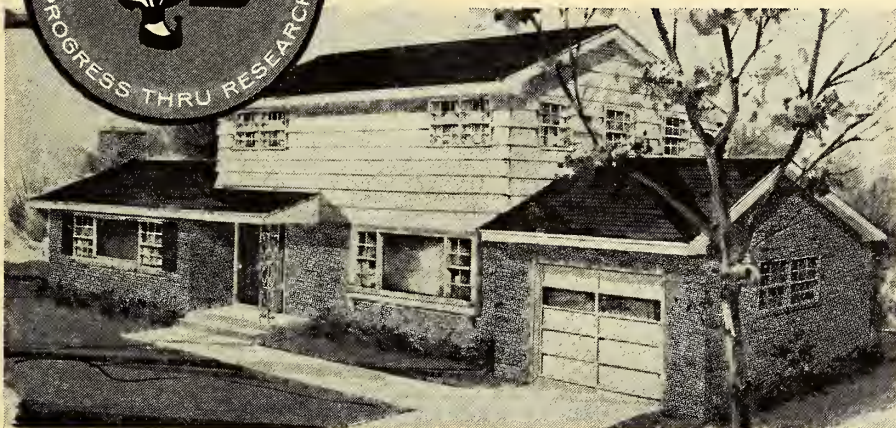
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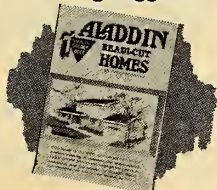
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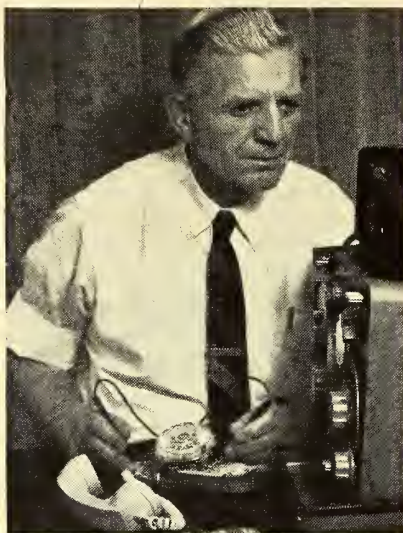
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WRONG POLLING PLACE

MANY LEGIONNAIRES are using the ballots provided in "Pro & Con" to express their opinions on the big issues discussed in that feature. However, in some cases readers have been sending their votes to our editorial offices instead of to their Senators and Congressmen. We are always interested in knowing how our readers feel about the subjects discussed in "Pro & Con," but we believe that it is more important that the men who represent you in Washington know how you feel about important controversial issues. So send your votes to Washington, please.

EXTREMISTS AND SUCH

THE PEOPLE of this country are going to have to adjust their thinking. Because of what happened in Cuba, Laos, Berlin and elsewhere, many Americans were beginning to get the idea that communism was the enemy. They were also getting the notion that communism had a lot of allies and apologists in this country.

But it seems that this sort of thinking is erroneous, even dangerous. What we really have to watch out for are a lot of sinister people variously referred to as "ultra-conservatives," "right-wing radicals," "the lunatic right," "superpatriots," "know-nothings," "right-wing extremists," and so on. These wretches are portrayed as malcontents who are anxious to purge the country of liberals and liberal ideas, and plunge the nation into war.

Who are these wicked, wicked people? Actually it is hard to pinpoint them. There is no denying the fact that there are some characters in these United States whose approach to the communist problem has definite aspects of nuttiness. But the haphazard way in which charges of "right-wing extremism" are being bandied about has scared into silence many Americans who are sincerely worried about what is happening to us at home and abroad. And it may well be that all the hue and cry about "right-wing loonies" has as its purpose the intimidation of people who were beginning to wonder out loud about foreign and domestic policies that have proved disastrous.

To repeat, there are certainly some right-wing fanatics, and we say this with some authority since we are on a lot of mailing lists and receive a considerable volume of anti-communist literature that

is more emotional than profound. However, we don't think that any of these earnest pamphleteers exert any influence.

On the other hand, all sorts of left-wing projects are in the air and their authors don't have to resort to mimeographed butcher paper to sell their crackpot ideas. You'll find their handicraft in some of our most influential publications, and you are likely to get an earful of their stuff if you leave your radio or TV set running. For that matter, if you want further proof of "left-wing lunacy" and its effectiveness, just consider the mess we are in. There is no evidence that we lost Cuba, for example, because of the actions of "radicals of the right," or "superpatriots."

RED "MEIN KAMPF"

BACK IN 1932 William Z. Foster, then National Chairman of the Communist Party in the United States, wrote a book. Like Adolf Hitler's "Mein Kampf," Foster's book, "Toward Soviet America," presented a plan of conquest. The red boss in this country told how the communists intended to take over the U.S.A. and turn it into a United Soviet States of America.

Foster's was a "hard line," the same as that being followed by the present head commissar in the United States, Gus Hall. But a few years later, when the communist line turned "soft," the Party decided that Foster's book was too outspoken. The word went out to find and destroy all copies of "Toward Soviet America." Red book-burners went into libraries, schools, bookstores and elsewhere and copies of the book gradually disappeared.

With Foster dead and the copyright expired, "Toward Soviet America" has now been re-issued by a man who has made an intensive study of communism (and who has written for this magazine)—Maurice Ries. We urge you to read it. It is a frightening book, because Foster pulled no punches in telling what the reds have in store for Americans. However, reading it should certainly increase any American's determination to oppose the Kremlin's plan for our enslavement and liquidation. If your bookstore does not have this book or, for some reason, is unable to secure it, you may obtain copies from Elgin Enterprises, Inc., Box 162, Balboa Island, Calif. The price is \$4.75.

QUOTING GUS

IN A FOREWORD to the Foster book an interesting exchange with Gus Hall is presented. Hall is William Z. Foster's successor, described by J. Edgar Hoover as "an energetic, coldly calculating, aggressively pro-Russian ex-convict." The extent of his devotion to the Kremlin and his hatred of the United States may be ascertained from the following remarks he made in 1934:

Q. But you would prefer . . . to be in Russia?

A. I prefer America with a Soviet government.

Q. And are you willing to take up arms and overthrow the constituted authorities?

A. When the time comes, "Yes."

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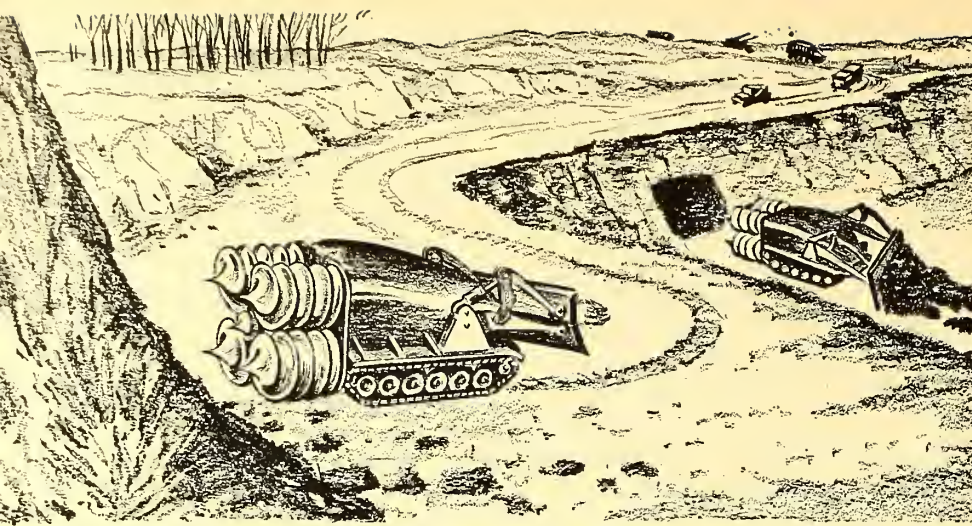
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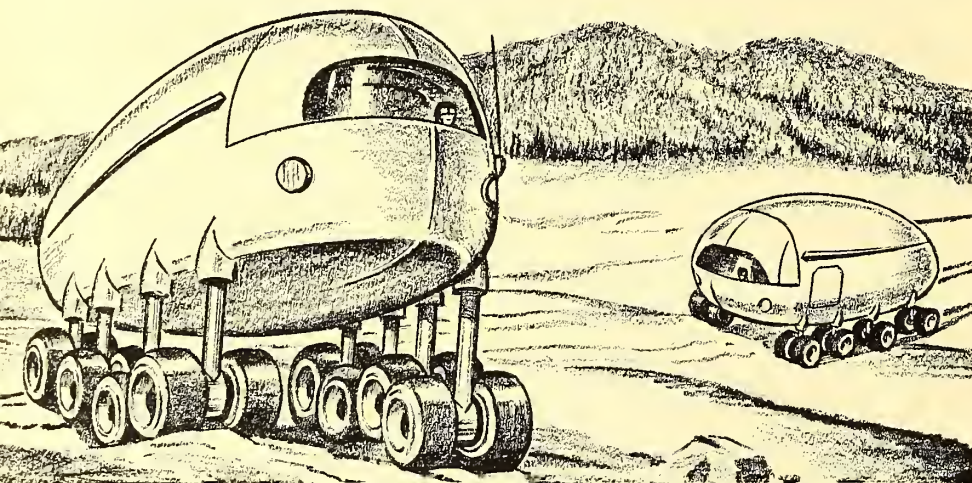
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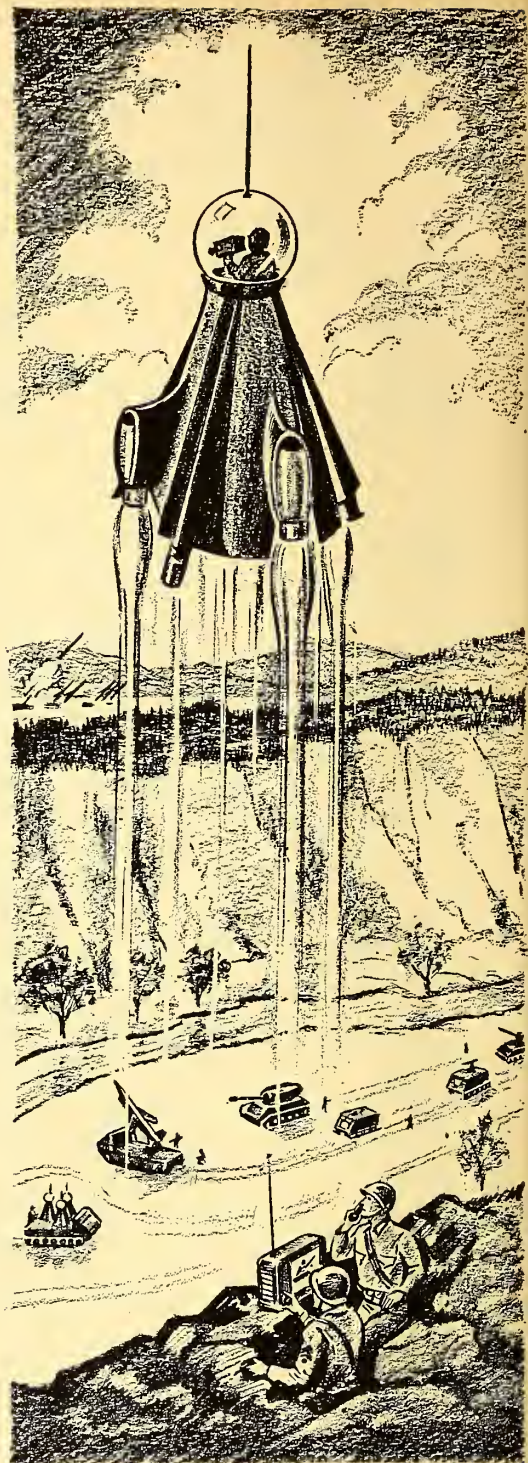
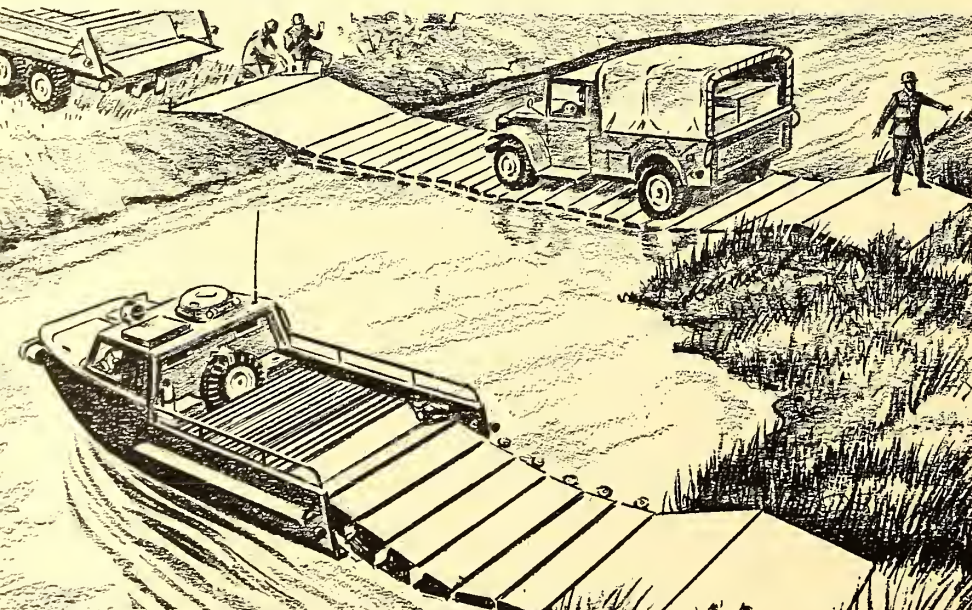
THE MOLE — a mechanical device to burrow through the earth at high speed, digging tunnels as it goes. A diamond tipped drill plus a dynamite insertion mechanism located in the Mole's nose make it possible for the vehicle to break up rock obstacles and proceed through otherwise almost impassable obstructions. Tunnels constructed in this fashion can be used to store or con-

ceal military materials and to protect personnel from artillery barrages or from airborne fallout in the event of a nuclear attack. This device has the weird appearance of some pre-historic monster, but it is an effective weapon for building protection from enemy attack. Alternate uses: a road grader and prime mover.



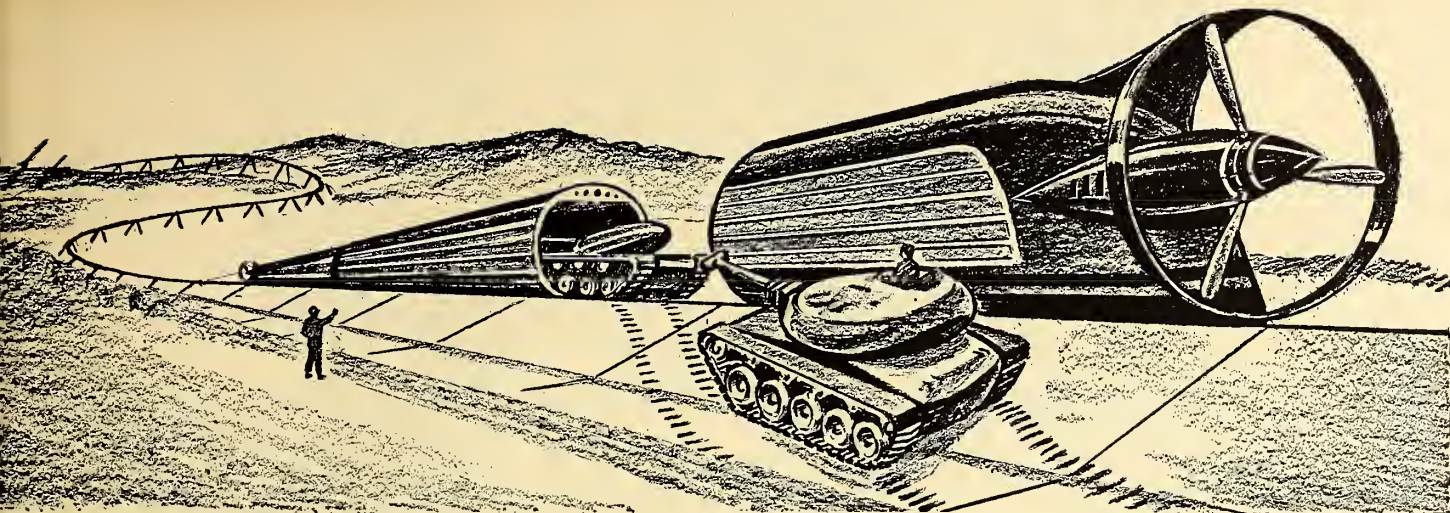
THE NOMAD — is intended primarily for desert use. It is a self-propelled, wheeled cargo and personnel carrier powered by nuclear or solar energy. By means of wheels attached to extension rods, the Nomad permits shallow fording and also provides a level cargo bed regardless of terrain. De-

signed to seal out dust and other foreign matter, the vehicle eliminates or minimizes the possibility of parts breaking down due to dust infiltration. If science establishes that the moon's surface is similar to desert terrain, the Nomad may be one of the first machines used there.



POGO-STICK — a device for going high in the sky. The Pogo-stick is designed as a small, light, agile, stable vehicle powered by jet engines and rocket assists which propel it upward to a height where it can be used as a base for surveying enemy movements. Nearer the ground it can be used as a hedgehopper to cross obstacles such as ravines, woods and low bluffs. Equipped with radio and TV transmitter, the Pogo-stick can send intelligence reports to command posts. The vehicle can be run by remote control or by an operator.

← **BRIDGE-BUILDER** — an amphibious, air-transportable, self-propelled vehicle designed to lay a pontoon bridge as it progresses through water. The machine should be capable of traveling cross country and navigating swift-moving water while fully loaded. It should also be light enough to permit transport by plane as part of an airdrop operation. Mainly a combat support machine, its sturdy construction will permit it to provide protection from enemy fire to those engaged in operating it.



LEVACAR — a wingless airplane that travels a few thousandths of an inch above a track or rail. Powered by conventional turbo-prop or turbo-jet systems, the power from these systems forms a tissue-thin film of compressed air above the rail which

supports the Levacar and on which it slides. Because the Levacar slides along on this film with almost complete lack of friction between the vehicle and rail, it is possible for it to attain speeds up to 500 mph. This rate of speed and the relatively low oper-

ating costs of the Levacar make it an ideal method of moving passengers and goods in both peace and wartime. Requiring no air strip for take-offs and landings, the Levacar can operate directly into large cities or into the heart of vital military installations.

WAR MACHINES OF THE FUTURE

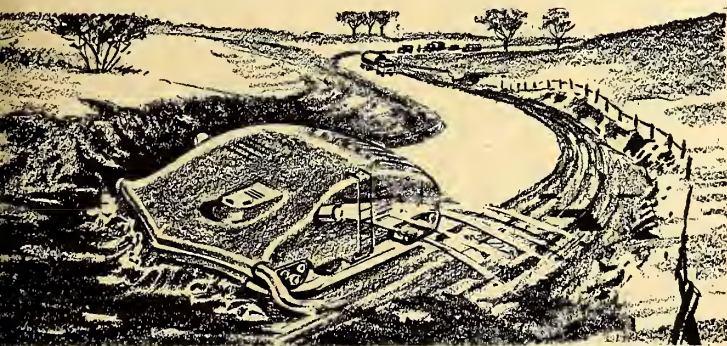
THE RIGHT MACHINE in the right place at the right time can sometimes determine who wins a battle and might even decide who wins a war. Developing such machinery demands continuous research and experimentation, the results of which often produce designs that would appear suited to the world of science-fiction. Yet each of the machines pictured here is a possible addition to our government's arsenal and represents the thinking of engineers of the Ford Motor Company's Special Military Vehicles Operations, a unit of its General Products Group, developing

advanced projects for the armed forces. In each instance it is the very element of the unbelievable, the fantastic, that could make the machine a useful tool to be used against an enemy.

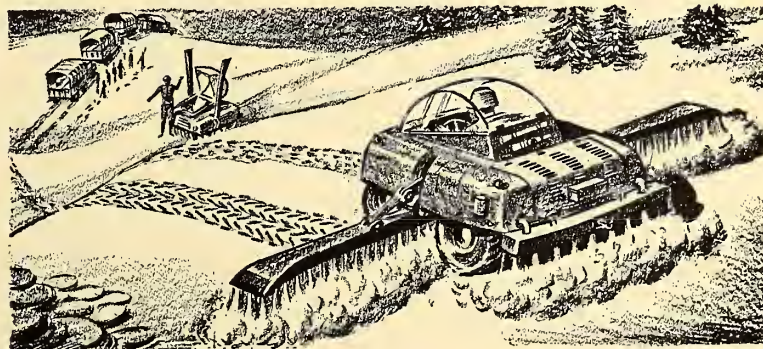
Included in the designs are plans for machines that will speed the movement of men and materiel, machines that will convert mud beds into passable roads, dig tunnels, build bridges, cover the snow tracks of troops and convoys, and one that will provide a means of shooting an observer into the sky to study the enemy's position.

Not all the machines shown here will

reach production. Some will be discarded because they are found to be impractical or will prove too expensive to run and produce. Others may still be somewhere in the far future, waiting for a yet undiscovered force that will power them. But bizarre as the ideas may seem, you can be certain that if the mind of man has been able to envision these war machines of the future, man will eventually figure out a way to make some of them work. When that happens, the mechanical dream of tomorrow will become just one more of the mechanical realities of today.



THE MUDSLINGER — a combat-support vehicle that can slice its way through deep mud, leaving a compacted and chemically-hardened road in its wake. The Mudslinger precedes a column through muddy terrain, shaping a roadway to the necessary depth, swallowing mud and separating the liquid from solids. As the liquid is squirted away, some of the heavier sediment is deposited on the roadbed, forming a curb. The remainder of the sediment is treated with chemicals which bind and harden it. A heavy roller compacts the chemically treated sediment to form a road.



SNOW TRACK ERASER — a light, easily maneuverable vehicle capable of covering track tires or footsteps left in the snow by ground equipment or military personnel. The erasing process results when heated air is directed against compacted snow and melts away all signs of military movements. The machine, while light enough to be transported by helicopter by being strapped beneath the helicopter, must still be rugged enough to permit its use in an air drop operation. Alternate use: to tow small loads.



"Lindy" the day before the flight, which took place May 20, 1927.



Mobs besieging the Lindbergh plane at LeBourget Field, Paris.

Few parades exceeded New York's welcome to "The Lone Eagle."



What Happened to **LINDBERGH?**

**Hailed as a hero, pitied for a
personal tragedy, and later reviled,
Charles A. Lindbergh now wants
only to be left alone.**

By DALE SHAW

AT DARIEN, CONNECTICUT, one of the finest fliers and aeronautics experts America has ever produced lives in seclusion. At 59, when members of his profession are often at their prime, he is almost a forgotten man. Why this is so is one of the strangest stories in the history of our country.

Charles A. Lindbergh's flight of 3,610 miles from New York-to-Paris in 1927, after eight men had died trying, made him an overnight hero, his heroism accentuated by a shy, smiling modesty, and re-proved by continually difficult cross-country flying in North and South America until 1932, as he rose to the front ranks of American aviation experts. 1932!

It was a year of depression, and there were two chicken necks in every pot. But people forgot their own suffering quickly as they wept for the parents of a dead little baby, killed by a vicious kidnaper. The sentiment generated by this tragedy, added to the already huge fame of the flier, seemed enough to insure his immortality. Unlike yesterday's heroes, he might stay popular forever, it seemed.

Yet by 1940 or '41 a man once known affectionately as Slim, Lucky Lindy, Our Charlie and the Lone Eagle was being reviled throughout his country (in adjectives unprintable here) as a pro-nazi. Airdromes, beacons and streets named for Lindy got new names. Parents who had christened a son Charles Augustus in 1927 regretted their early enthusiasm, and hoped that Lindbergh would do something to redeem his reputation.

And Lindbergh did do something. Yet oddly enough, the story of what he did wrong, and why, and later of



Lindbergh and his bride, the former Ann Morrow, at Mitchell Field on June 20, 1929.



The world was shocked when the Lindbergh baby, Charles Augustus, left, was kidnapped. Above, crowds outside the Flemington, N. J., courthouse when kidnaper Hauptmann was on trial.



Working with Dr. Alexis Carrel, famed scientist, Lindbergh perfected a mechanical heart. The two men became great friends.



Given the rare opportunity to inspect German war might, Lindbergh warned of its power. For this he was denounced in many quarters as "pro-fascist."



Gen. "Hap" Arnold never lost faith in Lindbergh who flew 50 WW2 missions. Here he is with famed Maj. Joe Foss.

what he did right, is a story that has been very sketchily explained in the press in the last 10 years.

In the beginning, in Little Falls, Minnesota, there was just a thin, withdrawn, friendless boy who could do things with tools and machines in his workshop that amazed even expert adult mechanics. He spent most of his time secluded in his world of machinery, and when his father, a strong-willed congressman, tried to turn the 16-year-old into a political-campaign chauffeur and protégé, he thought he had utterly failed. For Charlie appeared to take little interest in the speeches, the hooting, cheering and jeering, or the riots which were common in those days. Silent and intent, he would stay by the car, tinkering with its machinery.

Charles Augustus Lindbergh Sr., was a hard-driving, apparently emotionless man who kept his feelings so well con-

cealed that his son never learned how to deal naturally with others. A near mechanical genius in his solitary workshop, young Charles could make friends with an engine, though, even love it, sensing its personality. In an engine the movement of parts was predictable, the whole controllable, while people, with whom he did not get along, were uncontrollable.

As the elder Lindbergh watched his son excel in mechanics, he gave up hope of instilling in him a political consciousness, failing to realize that through his own hard-bitten personality and turbulent career he had done just that.

In 1923 young Lindbergh bought his first plane, a Government "jenny" for \$500, and soloed in it the day after he acquired it. A year later, when his father died, he used the plane to scatter his father's ashes over their farm.

If young Lindy did not compare himself to his father, it was partly because

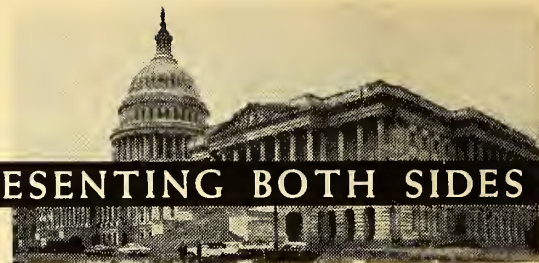
his father had been important and he was not. So he would fly until he was. As barnstormer, air cadet, mail pilot, and parachute jumper he showed a terrible will to be first, and as plans for flying the Atlantic developed in 1926 and '27, he proved to backers that he must fly the sea and fly alone. Then he took full command of construction of the specially fitted *Spirit of St. Louis*. Doggedly stubborn, with rare singleness of purpose, an excellent flying background behind him, Lindy lumbered into the air an unknown and 33½ hours later landed in Paris a famous man.

His fame continued to grow, yet in the quantity of words he spoke and wrote, he restricted himself to aeronautical questions, his political personality quiescent. In the year of the big flight, he was only 25 years old, still quiet and unknowable, completely wrapped in aviation. The la-

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WASHINGTON PRO&CON

PRESENTING BOTH SIDES OF



THIS MONTH'S BIG ISSUE:

Should Old Age Medical Care

PRO

Sen. Patrick V. McNamara (D-Mich.)



THE QUESTION of how to finance an adequate program of medical care for the 17 million senior citizens of this country comes before Congress for decision.

The *need* for a better way of paying for medical care for the elderly has been so clearly established that public discussion no longer centers on whether it is necessary, but rather upon *what form* the improvements should take.

Three years of intensive study of this problem, including a wealth of information compiled by the Senate Special Committee on Aging, of which I am chairman, has convinced me that the Social Security approach is not only the *best*, but indeed the *only* answer to an adequate, soundly-financed program of medical care for the aged. Why do I say this? For these reasons:

1. Neither private health insurance programs nor existing State-Federal programs are meeting the special health needs of the aged. Private programs discriminate against the elderly through higher premiums and reduced benefits.

Our senior citizens not only need more medical care, they are less able to pay for it than younger persons. The aged comprise only 9 percent of the population, but they make up more than 55 percent of all persons afflicted with chronic illness.

One-half of all American families headed by per-

sons over 65 have an annual income of less than \$2,830 a year. Nearly half of these same families have liquid assets of less than \$500.

Many elderly people who desperately need medical care are not eligible for Social Security. Accordingly, I have introduced a bill (S. 65) that also would provide medical benefits for them.

2. The Social Security approach preserves the dignity and self-respect of the individual, because it provides him with benefits he has paid for and is entitled to. It does not subject him to the humiliating "pauper's oath" of a "means" test.

3. The principle that earnings from the productive years should be used to provide economic protection during retirement has long been accepted. This sound principle should be applied to medical care.

4. Social Security, refined by a quarter century of operation, offers an efficient, ready-made administrative machinery for medical care.

5. The Social Security approach would maintain the important doctor-patient relationship, including the choice of physician. A charity approach does not.

Opponents of the Social Security solution for medical care to the aged — lacking the facts — have resorted to a massive campaign of scare propaganda.

During the Congressional debate, we can expect these same opponents to stall and delay, pleading for "more information" to evaluate the problem.

But the necessary information is already available. The studies and evaluation surveys point to Social Security as the best and only approach.

The time for action is now.

Pat. McNamara

If you wish to let your Congressman or one of your Senators know how you feel on this

big issue, tear out the "ballot" on the facing page and mail it to him----->

THE BIG ISSUES

Be Financed Through Social Security?

CON

Rep. Thomas B. Curtis (R-Mo.)
Second District



SUPERIOR QUALITY usually commands a premium price. Thus it is that American medical service, unsurpassed throughout the world, is relatively costly. Many elderly citizens, whose longevity is itself a tribute to our high health standards, are admittedly confronted with serious financial problems when they become ill or infirm.

Those, however, who would solve this problem through the Social Security system are completely wrong. The concept is both morally and financially unsound.

It is terribly distressing to witness the outpouring of false propaganda calumnizing our highly developed medical and insurance industries for political expediency's sake. That high officials of the government should engage freely in this slanderous campaign is doubly deplorable.

Contrary to their outcries, non-cancellable hospitalization and medical service insurance policies covering persons over 65 are now well within the means of most of our senior citizens or their families. This was clearly demonstrated in House hearings.

State and local programs providing care for the truly indigent are of long standing. Thus, protection is to a large degree available to all, within the framework of a free society.

Under the plan advocated by the Administration, who would be protected? Only those who have Social Security. Literally millions of aged Americans are not covered by the system, and would not receive a dime's worth of medical care. Furthermore, the widespread notion that those who do stand to benefit from the proposal will be able to sit back and relax, confident Uncle Sam will take care of all their medical expenses, is a hollow fiction. Even casual study of the bill reveals that the payoff is strictly limited.

And who will pay the freight? Will it be wealthy oil speculators, stockholders, ranchers, attorneys and physicians, No, under the "liberals'" plan these so-called "fat-cats" — supposedly a favorite tax target — will go scot free. The tax increase will bite into the paychecks of workers who pay Social Security.

What's more, the whole Social Security system to which our wage earners are contributing will be undermined. No actuary in his right mind would endorse a formula so sure to create financial chaos.

Lastly, consider the impact of Social Security financing upon our system of private medicine, which has made the United States a world leader in this field.

When the Federal government makes a contract with a supplier of goods or services, fees and standards must be acceptable to the bureaucracy. The Administration plan for medicare means that doctors and hospitals must subscribe to the bureaucrats' rules or be excluded from the program. This is socialized medicine, pure and simple, and the historic right of an American to choose his own doctor is consequently infringed, if not destroyed.

Thos B. Curtis

I have read in The American Legion Magazine for March the arguments in PRO & CON on the subject: Should Old Age Medical Care Be Financed Through Social Security?

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MY LIFE ON THE BLACKLIST

A famous writer reveals that he was once a Communist, and tells about his career since he "declined to testify."

This extraordinary personal statement is revealing and safe of the author's... Mr. LARDNER, because it is a... It was a position that had commanded a good deal of support, some of it quite respectable. In fact, I had been... that had previously awarded me one of its Academy Oscars for the picture *Roman of the Year* with Katharine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy, and... of 1940's stock of the...



By RING LARDNER, JR.

an American" designation. And the fact that I bore through not just the merit of my own, a well-known name in American letters simply made it the most easily remembered among the "Hollywood Ten" by people who read about the case in the newspapers. As a complicating detail, in the summer of 1947 my wife and I had...

Ring Lardner, Jr., who was a member of the Communist Party, got the opportunity to do another service for communism in this Saturday Evening Post article on blacklists.

THE TRUTH

An answer to communist

By ROY M. BREWER

A FEW MONTHS AGO a friend, who happens to be a bank official, expressed his strong opposition to "the Hollywood blacklist." Such "persecution of people for political beliefs," he insisted, was unthinkable in this enlightened age.

"Would you employ a member of the Mafia as a cashier in your bank?" I asked him.

"Certainly not," he replied, "but that is different. I'm talking about respectable people—writers, actors, directors. You're talking about hoodlums who couldn't be trusted with bank funds and whose very presence in a bank would destroy public confidence in it."

Actually my friend the banker was citing the very reasons why



Leader of the communist faction in Hollywood was John Howard Lawson, organizer of the Screen Writers Guild.

communists have no business in motion pictures. What he had failed to recognize is that communism is not a political belief but is, in fact, a world-wide organization of gangsters which is irrevocably dedicated to destroy every government in the world which it does not control. Many of the persons in it are deceived as to its real nature but as long as they are subject to its discipline they can never be trusted and their very presence in the industry destroys public confidence in it. Like the Black Hand in a bank, the communist has no allegiance to his employer but to an outside gang intent on plunder. And it has been dem-



← Such "intellectuals" as John Howard Lawson participated in such "peaceful demonstrations" as this at the Warner Bros. studios in 1945.

This is an article that was offered to *The Saturday Evening Post* as an answer to a piece written by Ring Lardner, Jr., that appeared in the October 14, 1961 issue of that publication. Mr. Brewer, who fought the communist infiltration of Hollywood, and who knew at first hand what such people as Lardner were doing, felt that the *Post* had done a disservice in setting forth the Lardner premise, actually the Party line, on "blacklists." He requested the opportunity of answering the article but permission was

refused. Brewer made another appeal, pointing out: "There is a general misunderstanding of the so-called blacklisting problem in Hollywood, and this article has compounded the misunderstanding . . ." The *Post's* answer was another refusal.

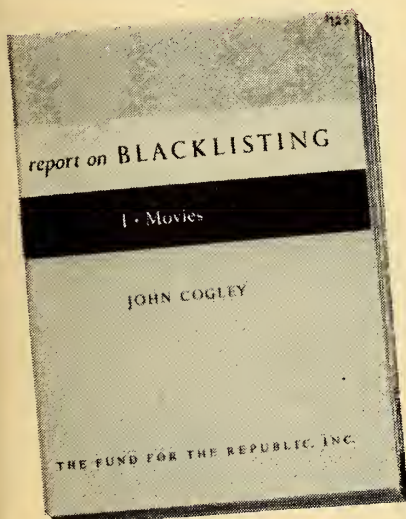
So, for the record and since The American Legion has long opposed the employment of communists in a communications media as important as motion pictures, we have opened our pages to Mr. Brewer's remarks.

echoes of a time when powerful employers created secret lists of employees they considered troublesome. By circulating these "blacklists" among themselves they were able to punish the unfortunate workers cruelly by depriving them of a chance to make a living. The practice has long since been outlawed and is recognized as unethical, immoral and illegal. Hollywood's communists cynically donned martyrs' robes as "victims of a blacklist," no doubt assuming that many Americans would overlook the fact that they were part of an international conspiracy aimed against the U.S.A.

The motion picture industry was not anxious to face up to the problem that communist infiltration presented. Most of its leaders found it much more convenient to accept the denials of the leftists and join them in their denials.

about the "BLACKLIST"

propaganda which tries to prove that red is black

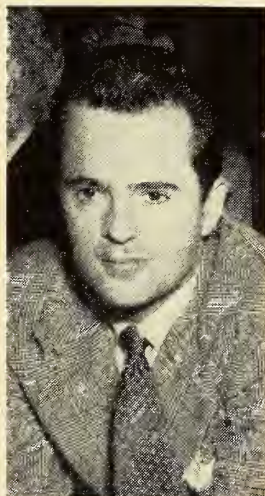


The Fund for the Republic assembled all the left-wing clichés about "blacklists" and embalmed them in this book.

THEY WERE WRONG AND SUFFERED FOR ADMITTING IT



Edward Dmytryk



Larry Parks



Robert Rossen



Martin Berkeley

onstrated that the public has little liking for films in which communists have a part. Indeed, it was Hollywood's belated realization of this fact which brought into being the so-called "blacklist."

During World War II the communists had extended their influence in Hollywood but at the close of the war, as the true nature of communism became apparent, Americans decided that they wanted no part of those who served the criminal conspiracy then headed by Stalin. They therefore stopped patronizing films in which known communists and sympathizers were featured. Worried by this boycott, the industry decided it was bad business to try to jam red writers, actors and directors down the throats of a reluctant public. In a gesture

that, in retrospect, seems to have been inspired more by a sense of public relations than sincerity, the industry assured the public that henceforth it would not knowingly employ communists or those who refused to answer questions asked by the House Un-American Activities Committee about communist affiliations. This it did in the famous Waldorf Declaration of 1947.

Reaction from the communist element was not long in coming. With their amazing talent for distortion, and with their fantastic ability at enlisting support from influential muddleheads, the communists set about selling the American public the idea that they were the pitiable victims of a diabolical "blacklist."

No right-thinking person believes in "blacklists." The term has evil overtones,

Indeed, when the hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities of 1947 were being prepared, industry leaders joined with the fronts and the leftists in proclaiming such hearings "a witch hunt." The Motion Picture Producers Association took full-page ads charging that the industry was being persecuted for politically supporting the New Deal. Much of America accepts this analysis, assisted by the press which portrayed Hollywood's anti-communists as crackpots.

But when the hearings began and guards were required to drag the communist witnesses from the stand while they screamed invectives at the Committee and called the chairman a Hitler, the American people suddenly realized that these people, reacting with the

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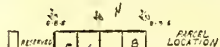
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The General

By FRANK L. REMINGTON

WANT TO BUY a typewriter, a tent or an island? Do you need a jeep, a boat anchor or a mess kit? Chances are Uncle Sam has it for sale through his General Services Administration (GSA).

GSA, a many-faceted but little-known Federal agency created on recommendation of the Hoover Commission, recently celebrated its twelfth birthday. Among its myriad duties it supervises and directs the disposal of surplus government property. This operation fattens Uncle Sam's purse by millions of dollars annually and should gladden every taxpayer's heart.

Uncle Sam looks upon some surplus as junk. But much of it is valuable to someone with insight and imagination. Several years back, for example, a veteran attending a GSA-sponsored auction sale bid 25¢ each for an odd lot of steel helmets worth a few cents each as scrap. After gaily painting the "tin hats" in bright colors, the ingenious fellow hustled them as hanging flowerpots to delighted customers at \$1.49 apiece.

Surplus property is divided into two categories—real and personal. Anything other than a piece of land or a building falls into the personal property category. In this classification GSA offers thousands of surplus items for sale—everything from Chinese hog bristles, aircraft, and plumbing and heating equipment to paper products, office supplies and drugs and medical items. In real property it offers such singular items as a discarded jail in Alaska, old lighthouses, islands, and the mineral rights beneath an abandoned bombing range in Arkansas. The buyer, incidentally, has to cart the jail away.

The General Services Administration offers surplus personal property to the public in some 500 or more sales offerings each year. These are conducted

where the property is located or at a consolidated sales point. GSA maintains offices in Washington, D. C., Boston, New York, Atlanta, Chicago, Kansas City, Dallas, Denver, San Francisco, Seattle, Honolulu, and in Anchorage, Alaska. Each offers hundreds of items.

GSA conducts sales of surplus personal property for many civil agencies of the Government. Surpluses also originate with the Department of Defense (DOD). When no other Federal home can be found for defense surpluses, GSA has authorized the DOD to dis-

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Much of the government's surplus is bought by dealers and sold by them at retail. Mail order houses are important outlets for surplus.



Services Administration often has used cars and trucks for sale.



This bit of seagoing surplus sold for a nominal \$100,000.

FOR SALE:

pose of them through its own 35 consolidated sales offices located throughout the country.

Personal property is offered in quantities to encourage the participation of both individual and industrial buyers. So you have just as much opportunity as the next fellow to avail yourself of this material. And who knows, you might buy some of this surplus and with a little imagination and merchandising know-

how cash it in for a neat stack of chips.

One fellow bid successfully on an odd lot of USAF target and weather balloons. He peddled them at a nice profit to hot-dog stand operators and other small merchants as eye-catchers to fly over their places of business. In another case a firm bought some 200,000 surplus gas masks. Adding a length of hose and wood floats, the company then sold the

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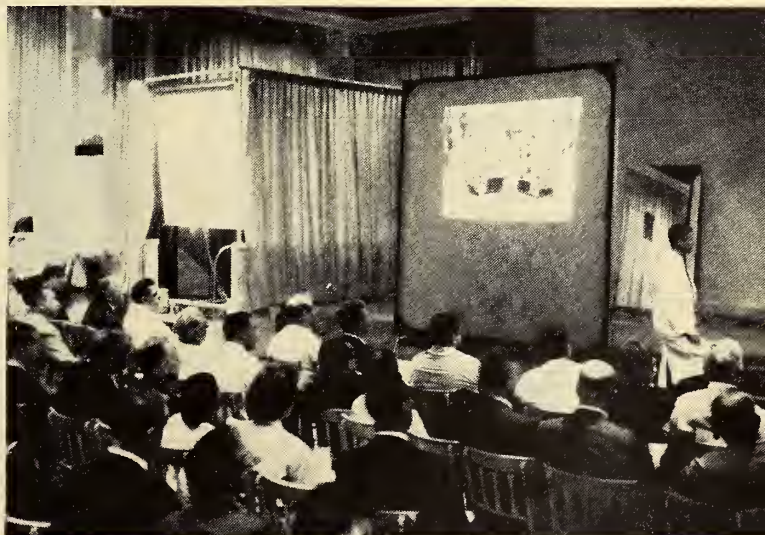
Just About Everything

(SEE UNCLE SAM)

You have as much chance as the next fellow to buy government surplus property.



Bargain hunters attending a GSA auction of automobiles at Washington.



A telephone hookup permitted bids from groups in different cities.

By **FORREST PERRIN**

GERRY KISTERS was a soldier. Scrabbling on his belly across a sun-baked ridge near Djebel Ichkeul in Tunisia, he won the Distinguished Service Cross. Two months later, his blood pouring out on a mountainside in Sicily, he won the Congressional Medal of Honor. He was the first man ever to win both.

Gerry Kisters had been a furrier in Vincennes, Ind., before the war; and before that, a star basketball player for Houghton Lake High School in Michigan. The day the 82nd Reconnaissance Squadron went into action for the first time, he was 23 years old. He wore the stripes of a staff sergeant.

It was 1943, and Rommel and von Arnim were in full retreat toward Bizerte, their route studded with stubborn rearguard holding actions. On May 7, a few miles north of Mateur, the Germans made a stand at a hill listed on the maps as Djebel Ichkeul.

Three times the 82nd Recon attacked. Each time it was thrown back. Then orders came from the 2nd Armored Division poised impatiently in Mateur: Bypass Djebel Ichkeul, drive on to Ferryville, 16 miles away. The 82nd, with Lt. Fred Franklin's 1st Platoon of B Troop in the van, led the way as the 2nd Armored rumbled out of Mateur.

The 1st Platoon consisted of 10 radio scout cars, two of which mounted 81-mm. mortars; two armored cars; a ¾-ton demolition truck, a 37-mm. cannon mounted on its own carrier, and two motorcycles.

Leading the platoon as it headed down the highway toward Ferryville was Kisters, alone in one of the scout cars.

Just outside Mateur, B Troop halted behind a rise while Kisters drove ahead cautiously. Spotting two wires lying across the road, he got out to investigate. They were ordinary telephone lines. He cut them and walked on. Topping the next rise, he came upon several British Bren gun carriers standing empty on either side of a long culvert that bisected the road. They had apparently been captured and then abandoned by the retreating enemy.

Kisters advanced, carbine at the ready. A slight movement caught his eye. Slowly, two German helmets began to appear over the edge of the ditch. Kisters dove for the high grass to the right and fired two quick shots. Then he arched a grenade toward the Germans. As it burst, he dashed across the road and ducked behind one of the gun carriers.

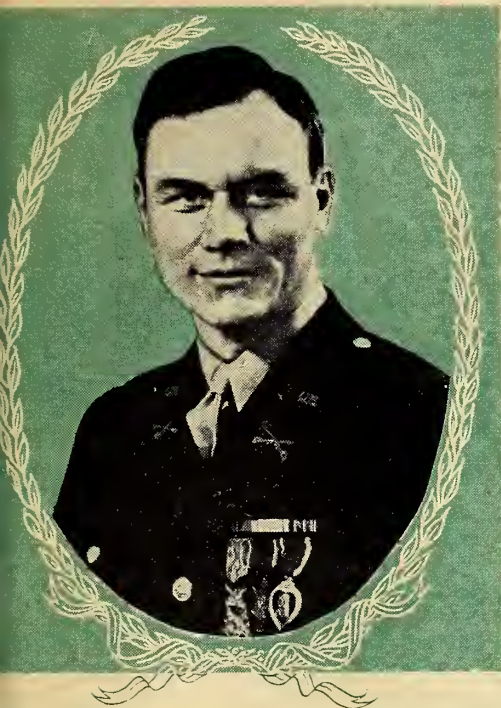
He crawled behind the carriers until he reached the ditch and leaped across. From his new position he could see the body of one of the Germans doubled up against one bank. Crouching in the grass, waiting, he saw the other German com-

GERRY KISTERS, *SOLDIER*

The story of the first man to win the Medal
of Honor and the Distinguished Service Cross.



He hurled three grenades, and death exploded in the gun pit.



2nd Lt. Gerry H. Kisters



Miraculously he escaped the fire aimed at him and made the safety of the rock.

ing through the culvert on all fours. Kisters heaved his second grenade, watched it take deadly effect, then sprinted back to his scout car.

Rifles snapped angrily at him from the hills on both sides of the road, and on the left a machinegun opened up.

At the same time, from the rocky ridge to the right, a German 88-mm. began firing. It was aimed at the head of the column nestled behind the rise in the road, not at Kisters, but as long as it remained in operation, the road to Ferryville was impassable.

Gasping for breath, Kisters reached the scout car and reported the situation to Lt. Franklin by radio. Then he filled his pockets with more grenades and raced back to the ditch, somehow escaping the shower of shots aimed at him. Working his way down the length of the ditch, he pinpointed the 88's position above him and kept on until he figured

he was well to the right of it.

He scrambled up the back wall of the culvert and raced for an outcropping of rock as the snipers and machinegun again began firing. Squirring from rock to rock, he fought his way up the ridge.

Below him, in full view, was the long-nosed 88, its crew loading, ranging and firing in deadly rhythm.

Lying flat on his stomach, Kisters worked a hand grenade out of his pocket and lobbed it at the gun with an awkward, stiff-armed throw. Then he threw another — and a third. Death exploded in the gun pit. The 88 was knocked out, the bodies of its four gunners flung carelessly on the ground around it. The road to Ferryville was open.

For his action that day, Gerry Kisters received the Distinguished Service Cross, his country's second highest combat award.

There were other days still to come, however. On July 10, 1943, the Allies forged a beachhead on Sicily. Three weeks later the 82nd Recon suffered heavy casualties in the four-day battle for Nicosia but was not allowed a respite. From headquarters the day after the city fell came a new order: Scout the main

highway leading out of Nicosia. Kisters was one of nine men sent out in three scout cars.

The cars crept along, scanning the hills on either side as well as the roadway itself. At about the three-mile mark, they halted and Kisters and Lt. Orsell Price went forward on foot. An overpass bridging a ravine had been dynamited, effectively blocking the road.

As the two men stood discussing the situation, Kisters surveyed the surrounding terrain. On the left was a sheer cliff, on the right, a descending slope leading to a steep hill. On the crest of the hill stood a grey Sicilian farmhouse.

"Lieutenant," said Kisters, "if someone wanted to set up an ambush, this would be a perfect spot for it." Price nodded, "Let's check it."

Price and Kisters ducked off to the right, descended the slope and began a circling climb up the hill which would

bring them out behind the farmhouse. But suddenly Kisters, pushing through a clump of bushes halfway up the hill, found himself face to face with four startled Germans sitting beside a machinegun.

With the muzzles of Kisters' carbine and Price's tommygun only inches away, the Germans rose shakily to their feet, hands upraised.

The Americans herded their prisoners to the back of the position, away from the gun, and Kisters began disarming them while Price stood guard. Then with no warning, a machinegun ripped the silence with an explosive staccato. It was directly above them, only yards away.

"You watch these four," Kisters shouted. "I'll get that gun." Armed only with his carbine and one clip of bullets, he scrambled out of the gun pit.

By some miracle he escaped the first deadly swath of fire aimed at him as he raced forward and flung himself headlong behind a rock. He could see the muzzle squirting fire.

He clawed his way forward, using rocks and bushes for cover, until he was in a position to use his carbine. Lying prone behind two small rocks, he waited until he saw a movement.

He fired and a man screamed. Another movement — he fired again.

Now snipers spotted around the slope in support of the machinegun began shooting at him. Bullets dug into the ground near him and cracked into his covering rocks. He shifted to a slightly better position and fired again.

A sniper's bullet ricocheted and smashed into his right leg just above the ankle, ripping the tendons and muscles. Two shots grazed his shin bone. Another smashed home above his knee and two more drilled into his thigh. Wounded six times, bleeding profusely, he dragged himself up a few more feet and fired again.

The gun stopped firing. For a moment a strange silence settled over the slope. Then a German gunner burst through the brush and raced off. Kisters pegged a shot at him but missed as a final sniper's bullet crashed into his own right elbow.

After that, all was quiet. The snipers, with no gun left to support, slipped away. On the slope in front of the machinegun, Kisters pulled himself up to the lip of the position and looked over his handiwork. Draped over the machinegun were three dead Germans. Only then did he turn and call down to Lt. Price: "Lieutenant, I need some help, I think. I've been hit."

For his gallantry that day, Gerry K. Kisters, already holder of the Distinguished Service Cross, received the Congressional Medal of Honor.

THE END

By Hal Evans

SPRING TRAINING for baseball players is a snap, compared with what American Indians went through in their sports four centuries ago.

The Cherokees of North Carolina played a game called anetsa which was similar to lacrosse. They took their drills seriously. On a typical training day, the players would meet in the morning at a nearby area of level ground. Then they would strip to the waist and run, tumble or toss a leather covered ball until sundown.

They caught the ball with a pair of sticks and threw it the same way. The sticks were about three feet long and had a hitting surface of twisted squirrel-skin thongs or strips of Indian hemp. The frames were made of hickory.

During the training period, a shaman or medicine man took the players to streams and performed mystic rites. These preparations included scratching the body with thorns or a piece of briar

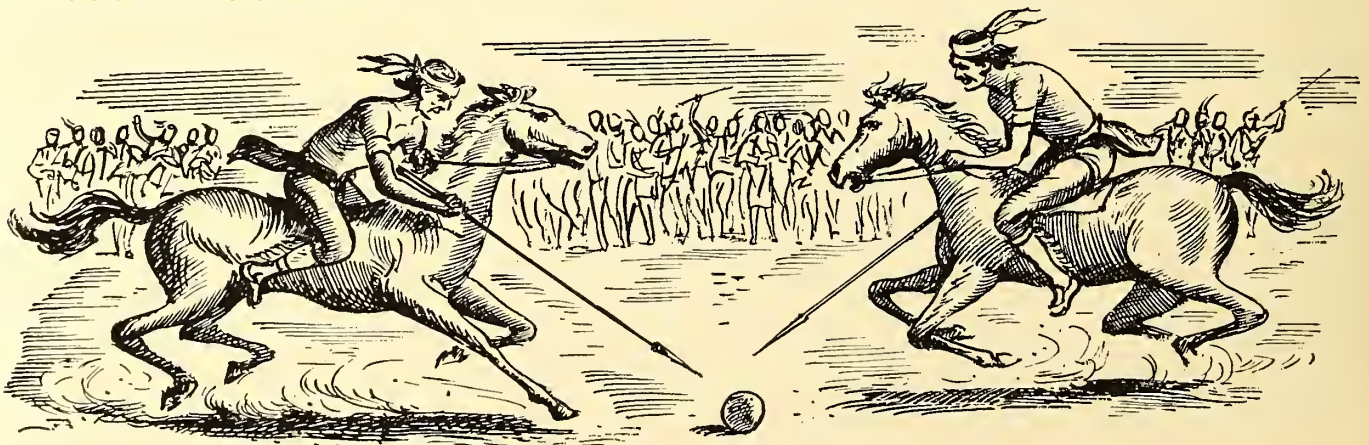


Players were dragged across the line. In some cases they were unconscious at this point.

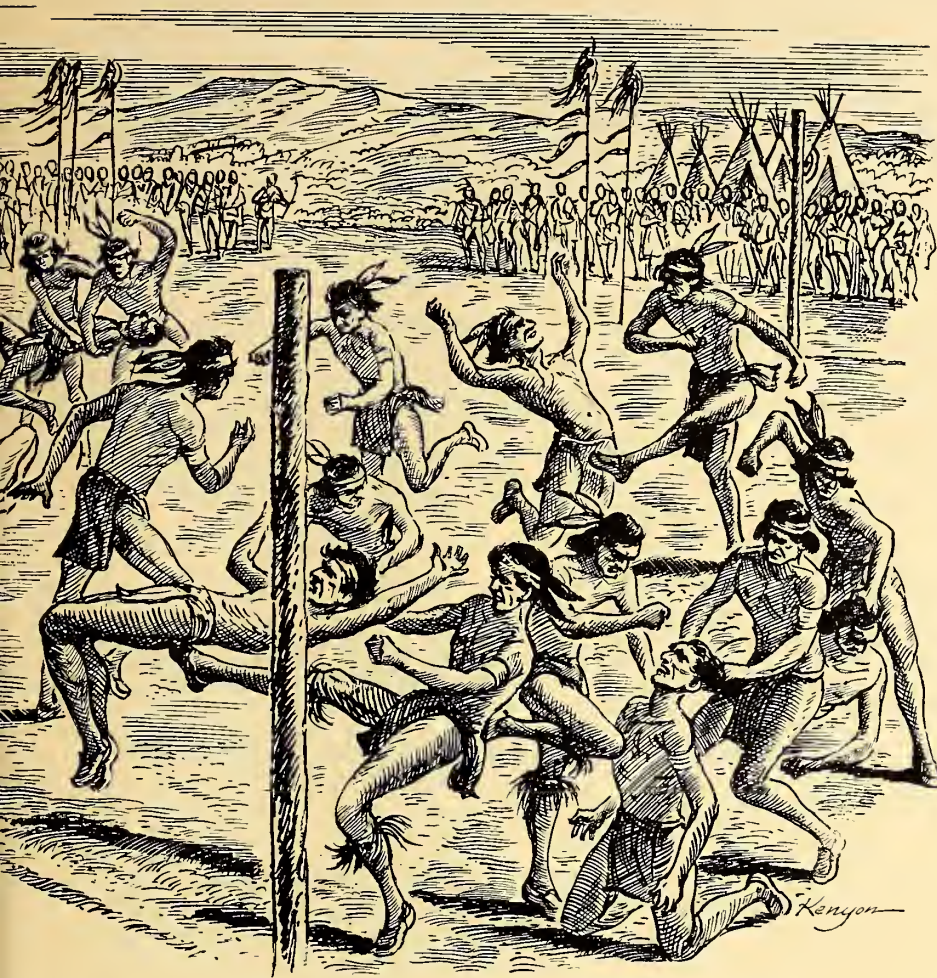


The boy was strapped on the pony and the animal was turned loose.

SPRING TRAINING, INDIAN STYLE



The idea was to pierce the ball, but now and then an opponent got in the way of the spear.



**If a sports-loving Indian survived the preliminaries
there was a good chance of living through the game.**

until the skin was covered with blood.

Players who were fearful of their opponents got special incantations designed to bring about the defeat, disability, or death of their rivals. If a close game was anticipated, several shamans were used.

Dieting was an important part of the training of every Cherokee who played anetsa. A contestant couldn't eat the flesh of rabbit because a rabbit was easily frightened and often lost its wits when pursued. A player who ate rabbit would, Cherokee believed, quickly lose his courage.

The meat of the frog was also prohibited, because its bones were brittle. If a player violated this rule, he believed he would undoubtedly be crippled in the first inning.

Fish known as hog-suckers were also barred as food since they were slow in their movements. Atunkas or herbs used for greens were out because their stalks were easily smashed. Salt and hot foods

could be eaten after the game, but not before. The "fire" they contained was a divine element that belonged only to the victor.

The Cherokee diet was in effect at



Long cuts raised welts that gave a streamlining effect.

least seven days prior to a contest. In many cases it was enforced for 28 days. This period was selected because seven and its multiples of four were sacred numbers of the Cherokees.

The final training session before a game was an all-night dance on Friday. The game was always held on Saturday



Flogging was another body-building exercise that was held in regard by Indians.

afternoon so the players and fans would have Sunday to recover. The competitors were required to fast from the time the dance began until after the game was over.

Each team held its dance close to a river. But the site of a game was not revealed until the last minute. This precaution was taken so that the rival squad could not throw a soup made of hamstrings of rabbits along the trail, thus producing timidity in its opponent.

Before the game, the medicine man gave a pep talk. Then each contestant got 300 scratches with splinters from the leg bones of turkeys. After the wounds were cleaned, the athletes were ready for action.

A pair of upright sticks formed the goals at each end of the field. Usually there were nine to 12 players on a team and the challengers furnished the ball. Twelve home runs or goals won the game.

Everything was permitted, including murder, but weapons were not allowed on the field. Deliberate attempts were made to "bean" or otherwise cripple an opponent.

An occasional time-out was called, so the players could quench their thirst with a sour preparation of wild crab-apples and green grapes.

The anetsa season did not correspond to that of baseball. It began in the middle of the summer and lasted until cold weather arrived, often late in December. But the biggest games of all were held

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Rod & Gun

FOR THE MAN
WITH AN INTEREST IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS

CLUB

A FLEET OF 7,175,000 boats provided recreation for Americans last year, according to estimates based on registration data. Of this number, 760,000 were inboards, including auxiliary-powered sailboats; 3,880,000 were outboards; 465,000 were sailboats without inboard power; and 2,070,000 were rowboats, canoes, dinghies, etc. An estimated 35,875,000 people participated in boating during the year, making use of the waterways more than once, and they spent an estimated \$2,340,000,000 on boats, motors, storage, repairs, etc.



SPEAKING OF BOATS, when Wilfred E. Beaver of Chicago goes outboating he sensibly carries along an extra set of spark plugs and an extra shear pin or two. As he says: "Changing the spark plugs and replacing a broken shear pin are simple jobs when you are prepared in advance."

ANOTHER SUGGESTION for men who go down to the sea (or lake or river) in boats is advanced by Wilbur R. Fuhrman, of Columbiana, Ohio. He points out that you should never leave your oars or paddles in a boat or canoe since porcupines or beavers will chew on the handles for the salt left by perspiring hands.

A NEW CLAY TARGET GAME, called to our attention by Ted McCawley, manager of public relations for Remington Arms Company, will be of interest to American Legion posts looking for revenue-producing ideas. Called "Auto-Trap-Shoot," the new coin-operated game is designed for indoor use. It can be set up in any building with a depth of at least 70 feet, and employs special fully automatic traps which throw miniature clay targets at varying angles. Special Remington .22 caliber pump guns and rim fire shot cartridges are employed. A half-dollar in the slot starts the entire procedure. The machine feeds seven cartridges to the shooter and he's ready to go. Further particulars can be obtained from Auto-Trap-Shoot, Inc., 206 E. University St., Champaign, Ill.

ANOTHER ELABORATE target setup is offered shooters by the Realistic Target Corp., P.O. Box 30.06, Branford, Conn. This is an automatic running deer target which operates on a 20-foot track by either an electric motor or a 4-cycle gas engine. The three-dimensional deer, when hit in the chest cavity, is stopped by an electronic sensing device.

A SLIP-PROOF SURFACE can be given to a boat dock if, when you are painting it, you sprinkle a light, even coat of dry sand over the paint while it is still tacky. Bill Fox, of Los Angeles, Calif., who makes this suggestion, says that the sand drying into the surface provides excellent footing even when it is covered with water.

A FISHING REEL that is said to represent the first tackle improvement in a decade has been announced by the Garcia Corporation. The new reel, called the ABU 505 Auto Spin, has a semi-closed face, and in place of the traditional line bail it provides a touch control disc which automatically releases the line onto the casting finger. The reel is mounted below the rod like a spinning reel, it provides instantaneous line pickup, and its oscillating spool assures even spooling and no dig-in. The price is \$32.95.

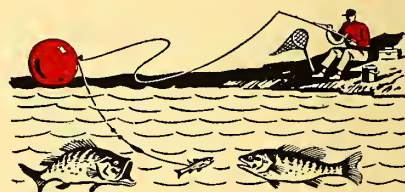


COOKING A SMALL BIRD such as a quail can be a problem for the housewife, and Dean M. Lesnett, Sr., of Huntingdon, Pa., offers a solution for it. "Purchase a large chicken or turkey," he says, "put the dressed quail or grouse inside the larger bird with its own stuffing, and then roast the large bird as per usual. This will produce a nice roast for the family and an extra nice juicy game bird for the hunter."

LIKE CLAMS? Surf fishermen who fancy little necks and cherrystones can open them quickly by employing an idea advanced by R. T. Ellis, of Wilmington, Del. Rub the curved part of the clam against a rough file till a little opening appears. A knife inserted in this opening and run around the clam with a twisting motion will open the shell easily.

EVER LOSE A TINY SCREW when dismantling a reel for cleaning or repair? asks Ronald McClure, of Summerville, S.C. If this has happened to you or if you've been puzzled as to which screw belonged in which hole, he tells how you can take preventive measures. Needed is a strip of scotch tape. As you remove the parts from your reel you stick them to the tape in the order in which you remove them. When you're ready to reassemble the parts you just take them in order and everything goes back where it belongs.

GUN BARRELS can be examined much more carefully if you slip a yellow camera lens filter or a sheet of yellow cellophane over the muzzle, according to W. C. Wilhite, Carlinville, Ill. Glare from the sun is eliminated and it is possible to detect tiny pits by this filtered light which would not show by natural, unfiltered light.



LAKE FISHERMEN, says R. C. Henry, of Helena, Mont., can get their lines far out by using a child's small inflated balloon—provided of course that the wind is blowing in the right direction. The balloon also acts as a bobber. This method, he points out, is used frequently on lakes and reservoirs on the northern Great Plains where the wind blows constantly.

ANOTHER USE FOR MATCHBOOKS is suggested by Mort Luxner, of Miami, Fla., who by coincidence is associated with Universal Match Corp. "Did you ever search hopelessly for an emery board to file a bothersome hangnail or put a keen edge on your hunting knife? Next time, try using the friction surface of the ever-handy matchbook." His company's matchbooks, he hastens to add, are moisture-resistant.

ODDS AGAINST SNAKEBITE can be improved if you watch *how* you walk in snake country, says Charles Hamilton, of Norristown, Pa., who has made a hobby of studying reptiles. "As you walk," he writes, "pick up your feet—straight up—a little higher than usual. Then move them straight ahead and straight down. If you should happen to scare a snake so that he strikes, he will more than likely miss you or he will hit the bottom of your shoe, giving you a chance to back off quickly but calmly.

If you have a helpful idea for this feature send it along. If we can use it we'll pay you \$5.00. However, we are unable to acknowledge contributions, return them or enter into correspondence concerning them. Address Outdoor Editor, *The American Legion Magazine*, 720 Fifth Ave., New York 19, N. Y.



A DIGEST OF EVENTS WHICH ARE OF PERSONAL INTEREST TO YOU

GI INSURANCE DIVIDENDS AUTHORIZED FOR 1962:

About 241 million dollars of dividends on veterans life insurance policies have been authorized for 1962 . . . WW2 policies will rate 225 million, and WW1 policies 16 million . . . Dividends will normally be paid to policyholders on the anniversary date of each policy.

The regular dividend on WW2 (NSLI) policies will total about 5 million dollars less than last year, due to loss of interest on the amount of funds distributed in President Kennedy's "pump-priming" special dividend last year.

WW1 policies (USGLI) will get about the same as last year in regular dividend . . . The drain caused by the pump-primer of 1961 will be met by discontinuing "terminal dividends" which have been distributed on USGLI policies in recent years.

HOUSE COMMITTEE WILL BREAK LONG DROUGHT ON HEARINGS ON NATIONAL CEMETERIES:

A qualified committee of the U.S. House of Representatives will hold extensive hearings on the whole broad subject of National Cemeteries between March 5 and March 9 . . . And that is NEWS.

Not since this "Newsletter" was first published in this magazine in April, 1948--and not then--have such hearings been held, in spite of a spate of bills year in and year out presented by The American Legion and others, dealing with National Cemetery matters.

The American Legion has advised the top Legion officials in every state of the hearings . . . They have been asked to submit current reports on National Cemetery problems in their areas in time for the hearings.

The March 5-9 hearings will be held by a subcommittee of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs . . . Rep. Wayne Aspinall (Colo.) is chairman of the full committee, and Rep. J. T. Rutherford (Texas) is chairman of the Subcommittee on National Parks, which will hold the

hearings on this important problem.

To assist Legion state officials in submitting data for the hearings, they have been provided with an outline of many of the matters in which the Subcommittee will be interested . . . The outline was provided by the Legion Nat'l Legislative Commission, with the cooperation of the House Subcommittee Counsel.

Year after year, bills from every section of the country seeking National Cemetery improvement have died in committee . . . Said Legion Legislative Director Miles Kennedy to the Legion Nat'l Executive Committee last October . . . "A few years ago we had the then majority leader of the United States Senate come down and testify for a bill before the Subcommittee of Lands of the House . . . Could he get it out? No sir. He couldn't get it out himself . . ."

The Legion's Executive Committee last Fall endorsed and supported the very different action of the present Congress with respect to the legislatively neglected cemeteries.

The Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, Chairmanned by Sen. Clinton B. Anderson (N. Mex.) is at present seeking funds to hold a similar study of the National Cemeteries by a subcommittee of the Senate.

The new hearings are not based on any particular bills . . . As a result of the hearings, the Congress may propose new legislation of its own.

VETS Q & A:

Q. When my father entered a VA hospital he was asked to say who should receive his personal effects if he should die in the hospital . . . Did this supersede his will?

A. No . . . The statement is not a will at all . . . It is for the purpose of releasing the effects from the hospital, and does not give ownership to the person named . . . He is accountable to the estate.

Q. I am very much interested in the

Legislative program of The American Legion... You print much general information but not much detail of what goes on in Congress regarding our bills. As my Post Legislative chairman, how can I keep up to date on our bills?

A. The schedule of a monthly magazine doesn't permit spot news coverage... The American Legion "Nat'l Legislative Bulletin" gives just what you want... \$3 a year from Nat'l Legislation, American Legion, 1608 K St. N.W., Washington, D.C.

Q. Is it true that we can now double the amount of life insurance that members can take out under The American Legion Life Insurance Plan?

A. Yes....As of Jan. 1, 1962, you could carry twice the amount of insurance by paying \$24 a year instead of the basic \$12--except in New York and Puerto Rico....For more info: American Legion Life Insurance Plan, P.O. Box 5609, Chicago 80, Illinois.

Q. Why did you suspend printing free Outfit Reunion notices, and is the suspension still in effect?

A. We received more than we could publish. The service was suspended while we sought a fair standard of selection.... No such standard could be found.... Outfit Reunions are restored with this issue, but in months when some must be left out the editors will use their judgment, favoring earliest requests and larger outfits.

CURRENT MEMBERS OF HOUSE VETS COMMITTEE:

The members of the House Veterans Affairs Committee are listed below.... All bills dealing with veterans' benefits and medical care are referred to this Committee of the House, and normally remain in the committee unless reported out to the full House by it.... In addition to the members listed, there are two Democratic vacancies.

Chairman: Olin E. Teague (Dem.), Tex.

Democrat members: W. J. Bryan Dorn, South Carolina... Elizabeth Kee, West Virginia... Frank W. Boykin, Alabama... James A. Haley, Florida... Walter S. Baring, Nevada... Robert A. Everett, Tennessee... Thaddeus J. Dulski, New York... William J. Randall, Missouri... Roland V. Libonati, Illinois... Harris B. McDowell, Jr., Delaware... Horace R. Kornegay, North Carolina... Joseph P. Addabbo, New York.

Republican members: William H. Ayres, Ohio... E. Ross Adair, Indiana... Paul A. Fino, New York... John P. Saylor, Pennsylvania... Charles M. Teague, California...

Seymour Halpern, New York... James G. Fulton, Pennsylvania... William Henry Harrison, Wyoming... Henry C. Schadeberg, Wisconsin... Robert F. Ellsworth, Kansas.

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EACH LEGION POST GOT SUMMARY OF RIGHTS OF RECALLED SERVICEMEN:

An 8-page review of the benefits and protections available to persons called or recalled to extended active military duty was published in the Feb. 1962, American Legion Advance.... Advance is a Nat'l Hq. publication for Post Commanders, and at least one copy goes to each American Legion Post.

Features, such as the special 8-pager in February, are of permanent value to officers and committees of Legion Posts in serving their members and local veterans and servicemen.

"Newsletter" strongly urges each Post to keep a permanent file of Advance between hard covers.

1962 MANUAL FOR POST SERVICE OFFICERS:

The American Legion's "Manual for Post Service Officers," revised to Jan. 1, 1962, has been published by the Legion's Nat'l Rehabilitation Commission.... The blue-covered "little encyclopedia" of veterans benefits, masterfully condenses a vast body of law and its application in 98 pocket-width pages.... And if there's anything a Post Service Officer can't find--or can't savvy--between its covers, why the names and addresses of all the Legion Department Service officers round out the volume.

CONVERSATION, SOCIABILITY WORK WONDERS FOR VA MENTAL PATIENTS:

A group of mental patients, all schizophrenic, have had their rate of discharge from long-term hospitalization upped from a normal 3% to an astonishing 53% in an experiment at Ft. Meade, South Dakota, VA mental hospital.

The experimental program increased the contact of the patients with other people.... A group of hospital aides spent 85% of their on-duty time conversing with the test patients to produce the remarkable discharge rate.

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Hospital Admissions For Nonservice-Connected Tested

House Veterans Affairs Committee once again checking reported abuses; Estimated cost of care in VA and community hospitals compared; Program sound

Once again the old question of the reported abuses of the VA's nonservice-connected hospitalization law is under scrutiny.

The House Veterans Affairs Committee recently released in House Committee Print No. 162, dated January 10, 1962, the findings of a study of all nonservice-connected, non-emergent cases admitted to all VA general medical and surgical hospitals between October 15 and November 15, 1961, both dates inclusive.

This is not new. In 1953, 1954, 1955, and most recently during the 87th Congress, similar surveys were done, the intent being to determine the financial status of the average veteran receiving treatment, and to uncover reported abuses.

The latest study covered all 19,077 patients admitted for treatment during the period indicated. The findings reported the average age of the veteran, financial status, average length of stay, comparison of estimated cost in a community hospital as opposed to actual average cost of VA treatment, and number who were covered by some type of hospitalization insurance.

Although the study did not draw any conclusions nor make any recommendations, it is clear from the findings that there is very little abuse of the nonservice-connected hospitalization program.

Of the total number of 19,077 cases admitted, the study shows that 9,421 were considered emergent admissions. The average monthly income of those persons reporting any income (15,462 cases) amounted to \$196; total cash value of ready assets was \$1,733.

However, when all patients, including those with no income, were considered (19,077 cases), the average monthly income was only \$157, and total cash value of ready assets was \$271.

The survey did indicate that approximately 17 percent of the 19,077 cases

had some type of hospitalization insurance. This was taken into consideration in each individual case and included as part of the cash assets.

The survey of 19,077 cases reported only 2 bad cases and 2 that were questionable. That is, 4 cases where entitlement to hospitalization was probably not in order.

Another significant finding of interest to everyone, in view of the steadily increasing cost of medical care today, is the comparison of estimated cost in the community hospital with the actual average cost of the same care in the VA hospital.

The study indicates that had these 19,077 patients been cared for in a community hospital the average cost would

have amounted to \$816 per patient as compared to the actual average cost of \$280 per patient in the VA hospital.

The survey is further vindication of the Legion's contention that there is very little abuse of the VA's nonservice-connected hospitalization program, and emphasizes the ability of the VA to economically care for our disabled veterans.

Ironically, at the same time the survey was being released, the VA issued a circular to all hospitals aimed at tightening the nonservice-connected hospital admission procedures.

The circular establishes the position of an admission counselor at each hospital for the purpose of interviewing each applicant to make certain that the significance of the sworn income statement on the application is clearly understood.

This is somewhat inconsistent as the VA circular appears to be an attempt to eliminate abuse in the program while the survey of the House Veterans Affairs Committee indicates none, or very little, exists.

There is considerable concern in many of our Departments over the latest VA action as it is felt that this will serve no

FLAGS FOR SCHOOL ROOMS



New Flags for 108 school rooms in the city of Oneonta, N.Y., were presented by American Legion Post 259 of that city recently as part of the post's Americanism program.

purpose other than to harass and discourage the applicant. If, as the survey shows, there are no abuses, why is this necessary?

While The American Legion supports careful administration of VA law, there is objection to regulations which are aimed at defeating the intent and purpose of the law.

It is feared in some quarters that the latest VA move will not stop any abuse of the law but will frighten off eligible applicants. This certainly would be gross injustice and might easily ruin the effectiveness of the program.

New VA Budget Lower in 1963

The VA budget for 1963 recently submitted to Congress calls for expenditures of \$5,298 million.

This is a decline of \$274 million from the current year and is explained by the fact that while pension and medical care costs are increasing, there is a decline in expenditures in compensation and readjustment benefits.

In addition, the VA plans to finance a portion of its activities by disposing of some of the mortgages it has acquired through defaults on guaranteed loans.

Compensation — An average of 2,357,000 veterans or survivors will receive compensation in 1963 — 16,000 less than in 1962 and 41,000 less than in 1961.

If the compensation increase recommended by the President is approved, expenditures in 1963 would increase by \$48 million over 1962.

Pensions — It is estimated that non-service-connected pensions will increase by \$114 million in 1963, with an expected rise of 139,000 cases. An average of 2,011,000 veterans and survivors are expected to receive benefits in 1963, compared to 1,872,000 in 1962 and 1,691,000 in 1961.

This is attributed, in part, to the raising of income limitations and to granting of pension eligibility to certain survivors of World War II and the Korean Conflict.

Hospital and Medical Care — The proposed budget calls for expenditures of \$1,053 million, including administration and research, which is an increase of \$22 million over last year.

Hospital and domiciliary care will provide for an average of 141,900 beneficiaries per day in VA, contract and State facilities. Veterans' visits to outpatient clinics or private physicians is expected to total 3,628,000.

In addition, the proposed budget provides funds for carrying out the third step in a \$900 million, 12-year program started in 1961 for modernizing all

Veterans Administration hospitals.

This calls for construction in 1963 of three replacement hospitals with space for 2,380 beds, and new medical research facilities.

Readjustment Benefits — Expenditures here are expected to decline by \$57 million, principally because of reduction in the number of veterans of the Korean Conflict still in training.

For the majority of the Korean Conflict veterans, the time limit for training has expired. In 1961 there were 174,000 Korean veterans under the GI Bill, and the estimated enrollment in 1963 is only 52,000.

Loan Guarantee — Expenditures will be less than in 1962 and cost will be offset by sale of defaulted mortgages.

These are the major items in the proposed VA budget which apply directly to benefits to veterans and their dependents.

Restoration Centers New VA Program

The care of the chronically ill is one of the major problems confronting the medical profession today.

This problem manifests itself at all levels; in the small community hospitals, large city hospital, state hospital, university medical centers, and even in hospitals operated by the Federal Government.

Medical science has made much progress in lengthening the life span of the average person. The problem, however, of adjusting these people economically and socially, in addition to caring for their physical ills, is most perplexing. But all of the aforementioned items are directly related to each other.

The Veterans Administration has been keenly aware of this situation for quite some time, having seen it appear in the form of frozen beds (beds occupied by veterans who have reached maximum hospital benefits) and lack of suitable public facilities (nursing homes, etc.) to care for these veterans who are being discharged from the hospitals.

Many of these people, because of the nature of their ailment, are in need of prolonged nursing care, therapy, and training in new ways of performing not only their daily living chores but, in many instances, in new occupational pursuits.

Various groups of staff specialists in the VA have been studying the problem for the past few years. These specialists have taken a long hard look into the programs already being carried out in the VA's own hospitals and domiciliary homes as well as to observe what was being done by state, local and private agencies. Personnel have even been sent

abroad to find out how other countries meet this challenge.

As a result of these surveys and studies, the VA has formulated a comprehensive long-range plan. Of necessity, such a plan must be projected as far as humanly possible into the future as the age of the veteran population is so diverse . . . Spanish American War, WW1, WW2 and Korean Conflict.

Before embarking on this long-range program, the VA had proposed to conduct a pilot study of the problem . . . a study that would begin by the establishment of **Restoration Centers** at three large general medical and surgical hospitals in different geographical areas — Hines, Ill., East Orange, N.J. and Long Beach, Calif.

The first **Restoration Center** to be opened — Dec. 1, 1961 — was in the Vaughn Section of the Hines VA Hospital.

The operational plans for this first center called for admission of about 60 patients during Dec. 1961 and an additional 60 during Jan. 1962. At the present time, the new center only admits patients from the Hines VA Hospital itself. No direct admissions are allowed.

Patients in the **Center** have been hospitalized for a long period of time but are still in need of certain types of nursing care and therapeutic training.

Present plans are that no patient will be kept in a **Restoration Center** longer than 12 months. It is believed that all patients transferred to the **Centers** will have improved in that length of time to a point where they can be cared for at home . . . in a nursing home or able to maintain their own living pursuits.

Many will be taught new occupations which will provide part time or full time jobs. Others will have to be returned to hospitals.

In cases where a patient has a family or close relatives, the **Restoration Center** will bring him into the program in an active capacity.

Some of the facets that family members will be instructed in are: diet, medication, exercise and therapy. All of these are important to giving greater comfort to the patient and, at a minimum expense to the family.

The interiors of these **Restoration Centers** are being made to resemble a family home as close as possible.

This is to instill a positive attitude in the mind of the patient, and a feeling of confidence that he is recovering and will return to perhaps a normal living routine.

The staffs of these **Restoration Centers** necessarily are, and will be, carefully selected and trained so that they can work successfully with the patients, relatives and the local agencies (Red

Cross, service clubs, veterans organization, welfare agencies, etc.). All of these groups have an important role and responsibility in this challenging program of caring for the chronically ill.

The VA hopes to open the **Restoration Center** in East Orange during fiscal year 1963 and the one in Long Beach during fiscal year 1965 . . . pending, of course, Congressional and Budget Bureau approval.

At the present time, **Restoration Centers** are only being built as adjuncts to general medical and surgical hospitals. Future plans are to erect some of these centers at new psychiatric hospitals.

Child Welfare

Concern For Youth

Legionnaires throughout the country find many ways to express their interest and concern for children and youth.

Mr. R. E. Farrell, Superintendent, State Training School (for boys), Red Wing, Minnesota, writes as follows:

"Five hundred and twenty gifts and checks received at the Red Wing Training School for the boys at Christmas represents 520 communities in Minnesota and thousands of individuals who shared Christmas through their local American Legion Posts.

"The Red Wing Post represented the Minnesota posts in the distribution of the gifts on the afternoon of Christmas Eve and a few other posts were able to be there to experience the satisfaction of knowing just how much the gift project means to these boys away from home at this most joyous season.

"As anticipation is always a part of Christmas, the knowledge that they were going to be remembered and the arrival of the gifts were second only to the opening of the packages, admiring the gifts and realizing that the great American Legion was interested in each one.

"The pride with which the clothing is being worn and the joy in using the other articles received should make each of the 520 American Legion Posts proud of this special part of the Legion's program for youth."

(Editor's Note — Similar incidents, large and small, and too numerous to mention here, took place at Christmas time all over the United States in practically every community where an American Legion Post is organized).

The following letter was recently received by The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation. The letter speaks for itself.

"I have just completed the course at the **Delinquency Control Institute** and am now a graduate. I want to thank you

for your prompt and courteous action on my behalf.

"The experience of attending the class, and the knowledge I have gained will help me become a better officer.

"I could never have attended the Institute without the grant afforded me by The American Legion. Again my very deepest thanks."

/s/ John P. Headrick

Hayward Police Department
Hayward, Calif.

(Editor's Note — The American Legion

CITATION FOR COOPERATION



John B. Carland (left), Defense Dep't official, receives certificate of appreciation from Legion official, W. F. Hauck (right) for services rendered by the Defense Dept. to The American Legion's 16th annual Boys' Nation (1961).

Child Welfare Foundation periodically makes grants to the Delinquency Control Institute of the University of Southern California which provide for certain expenses toward the expenses of police officers to study the application of police work to juvenile crime).

The Nat'l Child Welfare Division of The American Legion is in particular need of new photographs showing American Legion child welfare activity . . . for possible use in CW brochures, publications and periodicals.

If Posts or individuals have photographs they are willing to contribute, please send them to the National Child Welfare Division, The American Legion, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

Glossy prints no smaller than 4x5" are preferred and should be accompanied by proper identification of individuals when possible.

Action shots and photos which specifically identify The American Legion as the sponsoring group are desired.

Pictures submitted will not be returned.

April will be observed as Child Welfare month in The American Legion. It marks the 24th consecutive year that American Legion Posts will place spe-

cial emphasis on the child welfare program.

Specific suggestions for Post activities for April Child Welfare Month were published in the March 1962 issue of **ADVANCE**, the monthly newsletter for post commanders.

Overseas Tour

First Hand Look

Eighty members of 2 of The American Legion's policy-making bodies will tour military bases in Europe on a fact finding trip in early April of this year, it was announced jointly by Robert H. Bush (Iowa), chmn of the Nat'l Security Commission, and Emilio Iglesias (Vt.), chmn of the Nat'l Foreign Relations Commission — the 2 groups making the trip.

The group will leave Washington, D.C., April 7 for the 12-hour flight to Paris, France, via a Pan American Constellation. In Paris they will spend 4 days in briefing sessions by NATO and SHAPE authorities and will meet key political figures.

From Paris the two commissions will fly to Frankfurt, Germany. While in Germany, they will visit and receive briefings of plans and operations at Wiesbaden and Heidelberg, Headquarters of U. S. Army and Air Force (Europe). A trip to West Berlin is also on the agenda.

The final phase of the visit will take the group to Naples, Italy, Headquarters of Naval Strike Force (South) and base for the U. S. Sixth Fleet.

The return flight to the United States from Naples will begin on April 21.

All plans and arrangements are being conducted by the Nat'l Security Division of The American Legion with the assistance of State and Defense Department officials.

All expenses for the tour of the two commissions will be borne by the individual members.

Bells of Liberty

Will Ring Again

Nat'l Cmdr Bacon has called upon all American Legion Posts to join in a nationwide demonstration of America's devotion to freedom through the ringing of bells on Patriot's Day, April 19.

Carrying the theme, "Bells Across The Nation," the plan proposes to set in motion the ringing of bells for a period of four minutes starting at 1:00 p.m. (EST); 12:00 noon (CST); 11:00 a.m. (MST) and at 10:00 a.m. (PST) on the April date, which commemorates Paul Revere's historic ride.

Commander Bacon has suggested that, during the ringing of the bells, listeners repeat the Pledge of Allegiance to the

Flag as their means of participating in the rededication to American ideals.

American Legion post commanders are urged to appoint a local committee and assign to it the task of soliciting the participation of churches, schools and other institutions having suitable bells.

Admiral Arleigh A. Burke, USN (Ret.), former Chief of Naval Operations and former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has accepted appointment as chairman of the "Bells Across The Nation" Committee.

Hometown Homecoming They All Turned Out

Festive banners in almost every available space around the town of Marshall, Mo., in late January carried the phrases "Welcome Home, Charlie" and "Charlie Comes Home."

The reference, of course, was to Charles L. Bacon, National Commander of The American Legion, who was coming back home to be honored by the citizens of the town where he grew up and received his early education in grammar school, high school and Missouri Valley College.

The hometown celebration was held on January 25. Previously, on November 10, and 12, 1961, Commander Bacon had been similarly honored in Kansas City, Mo., his present residence, by the Department of Missouri.

In the early part of the day, Missouri Valley College, the first college attended by Commander Bacon, honored him in a formal convocation with a Doctor of Laws degree.

He was nominated for and presented with this honor by Doctor William I. Ferguson, 81-year-old Professor of Mathematics at the college and a former teacher of the Commander's.

Later on in the day the town held a parade for the Commander that did not really seem like a parade. It was more like the annual gathering of a closely-knit family group applauding its most popular relative.

As one eyewitness scribe explained the scene, "so many adults marched in the parade that there were only a scattering of youngsters and oldsters to form the sidelines of parade watchers."

After the parade, Commander Bacon dedicated the new post home of American Legion Post 191 in Marshall, of which he is a past commander and its only honorary life member.

In the evening, nearly 800 persons attended the Welcome Home Banquet which was held in the National Guard Armory. Vice Admiral Claude V. Ricketts, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, was the main speaker at the banquet.

At one of the banquet tables directly

in front of the Commander sat all of the living members of his high school class and their high school principal, now a resident of Kansas.

In attendance also at the banquet were Legionnaire delegations from the Departments of Kansas, Ohio, Oklahoma, Georgia, Nebraska and Texas.

The homecoming celebration program was sponsored by Marshall's American



An honorary Doctor of Laws degree for National Commander Charles Bacon from Missouri Valley College, his former Alma Mater.

Legion Post 191, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary, Lions and Kiwanis Clubs, VFW Post 2646, by Missouri Valley College and the community.

The same eyewitness scribe summed up the day's activities thusly: "the population of Marshall is 9,000 and apparently everyone in town participated in one way or another."

High School Drop-Outs Legion Concern

What is happening on the American educational scene in connection with the high school student drop-out problem is of great concern to The American Legion.

Studies made by the Department of Labor and the United States Office of Education reveal that 2½ million of the 10,800,000 students enrolled in grades 9 through 12 last fall, will drop out before graduation.

Of the youngsters who will drop out, a sizeable percent have average intelligence and may have the ability to do college work.

In reporting on this subject, Sterling M. McMurrin, U. S. Commissioner of Education says: "The majority of drop-outs come from backgrounds of semi-literacy and poverty, sometimes crime, often neglect, but even drop-outs from more privileged families come from homes where parents are indifferent to values of education.

"We talk of mobilizing our strength, but the only kind of mobilization sure to preserve our traditional institutions

of government, and thereby our accustomed way of life, is mobilization of the minds of all our people," he continued.

The current rate of school drop-outs before completing high school exceeds 900,000 a year and in the absence of an effective approach to the problem we will have an increase as more students reach high school.

The Department of Labor studies show that of the 26 million new workers who will enter the labor force during the 60's, 7½ million will be school drop-outs if the present rate of failure to complete high school continues.

Based on current income levels, the completion of each year of high school is worth \$16,000 in lifetime earnings and each year of college is worth \$25,000.

Another way of showing it pays to stay in school is the listing of lifetime earnings as compared with levels of education . . . grade school graduates — \$178,230, high school graduates—\$243,000, college graduates—\$347,000.

In addition to offering added income to the individual, more education is a protection from unemployment and equips our youth to not only better serve his family and community but to make a greater contribution to the economic growth and national security of our country.

The American Legion membership is encouraged to join with their Post's Education and Scholarship Chairman to either participate in or initiate a community group with appropriate school officials to encourage students to first finish high school and then pursue a career at a higher level of education.

Birthday Month Mass Initiations

American Legion posts all over the United States and in a good many foreign lands as well are winding up plans to celebrate the 43rd anniversary of the Legion's founding, March 15-17.

This year many posts will add a significant new feature to the traditional birthday observances.

At the request of National Commander Charles L. Bacon, initiation ceremonies for new Legionnaires are being held in hundreds of posts during the birthday period.

In a special message to initiates, Commander Bacon has analyzed the meaning of Legion membership to the individual and to the nation.

"The fact that you, as one person, one veteran, are today becoming a part of a great, voluntary, patriotic organization," Commander Bacon says, "adds that much to the strength of America . . . if freedom is to triumph, its victory will

stem from the combined efforts of free men working together unselfishly as responsible members of a free society. The opportunity to do that is offered by The American Legion . . . in your own community."

The initiation of new members and the interpretation of Legion membership as an avenue of service to the community and nation give meaning to the annual drive to maintain and raise the Legion's numerical strength.

William A. Brennan, Jr. (Ind.) chmn of the Nat'l Membership and Post Activities Committee, looks on the annual enrollment campaign, not as an end in itself, but as a means of carrying out the Legion's purposes.

Remarks Brennan, "Every Legion post, no matter how big or small, has a job to do for the nation, for its community, for sick and disabled veterans, and for its own members.

"It gets these jobs done only by enrolling members and enlisting their support and participation."

Antietam's 100 Years Cheese or Shrine?

The photo here shows a piece of the great Civil War battlefield of Antietam, at Sharpsburg, Maryland.

Right now — almost 100 years after the bloodiest dawn-to-dusk battle in American history — the National Park Service holds only 183 acres of a total national historic site of prime importance which Maryland's *Hagerstown Daily Mail* estimates at "more than 2,400 acres."

The rest is privately owned land, mostly farm — but with increasing pressure on it for modern development.

Arrows in our photo show how the National Park Service's meagre 183 acres are spread to take up small plots of special significance, here and there, so that a map of the national holdings looks more like the holes in a piece of Swiss Cheese than a national shrine.

In 1960, only two years away from the 100th anniversary of the clash of Lee and McClellan at Antietam Creek, Congress recognized the pressure of Washington suburbia on the battlesite land, and authorized the National Park Service to obtain 600 more acres of the battlefield outright.

The 600 acres still won't put the whole battlefield into National Park hands. It would turn the Swiss Cheese into a sort of checkerboard, and continue to pose a dilemma of land-purchase.

Stretched over the battlefield's whole area are key sites long distances apart. On the north, the farm, where Clara Barton's work among the wounded 100 years ago gained her the first official re-

cognition on her road to the later creation of the American Red Cross. And the "Corn Field" where men and corn alike were mowed down in rows by artillery.

Farther south, the famous Bloody Lane, and farther south yet, Burnside's Bridge, all lying between long, low ridges, Gettysburg style, where opposing artillery spat death and McClellan (east) and Lee (west) were headquartered. And all between, the land where, from dawn to dusk of Sept. 17, 1862, North and South suffered more than 23,000 casualties. How spread a 600-acre purchase around to encompass all these things?

The Park Service turned first to the Red Cross, to see if it could buy most of the acres of the farm associated with Clara Barton if the Park Service bought the most important ones — thus leaving it more of the 600-acre limit to apply to other areas of the battlesite.

But restrictions on Red Cross funds prevent such land purchase.

Then, the Antietam American Legion Post got wind of the problem and volunteered to do all it could. At last summer's state convention, The American Legion Dep't of Maryland approved the Antietam Post's project, and made the acquisition of battlefield land a state American Legion project.

The first \$1,000 was appropriated from Maryland Legion funds, and a fund-committee was set up, composed of present and former state and national Legion officials in Maryland.

As things stand now, the Maryland American Legion will spend all it can afford itself, and all it can raise from

other sources, to secure Antietam acreage over and above the National Park's 600-acre authorization and present it to the Park Service as a gift to the nation.

It is the Maryland Legion's hope that at the time of the ceremonies marking the 100th anniversary of the Antietam battle next Sept. 17 it will have land or firm options sufficient to secure the entire battlefield for the nation forever.

Great War Nurse She Served Her Fellowman

When Jane Arminda Delano died in Savenay, France on April 15, 1919, the soldiers of the American Expeditionary Force (A.E.F.) lost one of their most loved and dedicated benefactors on the field of battle.

In 1912 when she accepted the chairmanship of the National Committee on Red Cross Nursing Service, Jane Delano had had the foresight to begin the development of a nursing service . . . fortunately, as it turned out, for the WW1 doughboy.

Only a few years prior there were only some 950 nurses on the Red Cross records. Soon after the war broke out, ten hand-picked units from the 5,000 nurses then on the rolls sailed for the battlefields of Europe.

By the time the war had ended, over 20,000 Red Cross nurses served at home and overseas with the Armed Forces and the American Red Cross in its work among the civilian population.

Eighteen months after her death, in September 1920, her body was brought home and interned at Arlington National

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National shrines at bloody Antietam stand like islands in ploughed ground

POSTS IN ACTION

Items from our nearly 17,000 posts. Those of most general interest and widest geographical spread are selected, with apologies for the hundreds of others so kindly reported to the editors from all sources.

Learn By TV — Post 799, Buffalo, N.Y. is sponsoring a community drive to raise funds for the establishment of an educational TV station in the area. The post has started the fund off with a \$500 contribution.

For The Kids — Post 459, Grand Rapids, Mich., spent over \$2500 in the last six months of 1961 on child welfare activities in the immediate community.

Operation Buddy — Post 1, Memphis, Tenn., special task force of some 40 voluntary members manned a temporary office in the downtown areas to help thousands of Shelby County veterans and widows to fill out VA income questionnaires in connection with their pensions.

On The Ball — Post 364, Woodbridge, Va., organized only 10 months ago, furnished 29 volunteers to donate blood on an emergency call within 60 minutes to save the life of a young mother suffering from internal bleeding.

Bell Ringers — Post 1, Minneapolis, Minn., members collected \$423.96 recently through their bell-ringing activities on behalf of the Salvation Army.

Hunting Paradise — Post 353, Cornell, Wisc., donated 120 acres of land in Chippewa County to the people of the community to be used for a public hunting area.

Praise Thyself — Post 52, Wallingford, Vt., annually publishes a brochure telling about the post's projects and activities and distributes throughout the community.

Bed Rollers — Post 85, Lynwood, Calif., and Post 496, Long Beach, Calif., have created an interesting contest at the Long Beach Veterans Hospital by rolling the beds of bed ridden patients to the movie hall each night.

Novel Idea — Post 628, Dieterich, Ill., active in many community service projects, gives a subscription to the local newspaper to each one of its members who comprise nearly one-third of the town's population.

War Nurse

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Cemetery. Full military honors were rendered during the internment.

At the time of her decease, President Wilson had paid tribute to her great vision and enthusiasm as a pioneer in the nursing profession.

Born on March 12, 1862, in Townsend, Schuyler County, N.Y., she graduated from Bellevue Hospital Training School for Nurses, in 1886.

After a colorful career in her earlier days, she later became the first Super-



Jane A. Delano

intendent of the Army Nurse Corps. She resigned this position when she went with the American Red Cross.

She was posthumously awarded her country's Distinguished Service Medal for her "extraordinary devotion to duty."

Today there are eleven American Legion Posts around the country named in her honor. On this March 12, her Centennial year, these Posts will be among the many groups and individuals to render appropriate honors to the memory of Jane Arminda Delano, the "Great War Nurse," for her outstanding and patriotic career.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

James V. Day, former national public relations director of The American Legion, has been nominated by President John F. Kennedy to be a member of the Federal Maritime Commission for a term expiring June 30, 1965.

Bob Feller, former Cleveland Indian ace right hander, is the first graduate of American Legion Baseball to be elected to Baseball's "Hall of Fame" at Coopers-town, N.Y. He once played ball for Penobscot American Legion Post 464, Adel, Iowa.

Francis Polen, national treasurer of The American Legion, elected to the board of directors of the Peoples Bank and Trust Co., Indianapolis, Ind.

Ernest Davis of Crane, Tex., appointed as a member of the Legion's Nat'l Membership and Post Activities Section, Indianapolis.

William W. Oberlin of Greencastle, Ind., appointed as a member of the Legion's Public Relations Division staff in Indianapolis.

W. D. Robbins, Dep't Cmdr (1957-58) and present Alternate Nat'l Executive Committeeman of the North Carolina American Legion, elected chmn of the Pender (N.C.) County Board of Education.

Michael Markowitz, longtime Director of Rehabilitation for the Pennsylvania American Legion, retired recently.

R. B. Tharp, Dep't Finance Officer and Hdqs Office Manager of the Ohio American Legion for the past 15 years, retired in January. He was replaced by **Donald S. Bersell**, Korean Conflict vet.

Wilbur L. DeWeese, member of the Ohio American Legion Dep't Hdqs staff for the past 28 years, first as child welfare director, then junior activities director (including Buckeye Boys State since 1936), retired in January. He is succeeded by **Charles W. Davis**, WW2 vet.

Elmer W. Kuhlmann, Dep't Cmdr (1954-55) and past Nat'l Executive Committeeman (1956-58) of the Missouri American Legion, appointed emergency planning officer for the Veterans Administration in Washington, D.C.

Harry W. Colmery, Past Nat'l Cmdr of The American Legion (1936-37) presented in January with the Philippine Legion of Honor, with the rank of officer, by Philippine Ambassador Carlos P. Romulo.

William J. Luddy, Associate Editor of The American Legion Magazine since Feb. 1959, resigned effective March 1, 1962, to become public relations director for Zimmer, Keller & Calvert, Inc., Detroit, Mich., advertising firm.

DIED

Gilbert A. Ellmann, Dep't Cmdr of the Wisconsin American Legion (1956-57); in mid-December 1961, in Waupun, Wisc.

Eugene F. Naegele, Dep't Cmdr of the

Montana American Legion (1948-49); in mid-December 1961, in Helena, Mont.

Joe Starnes, Dep't Cmdr of the Alabama American Legion (1951-52); on Jan. 9, in Guntersville, Ala.

George B. Looney, longtime member and former vice chmn of the Legion's Nat'l Naval Affairs Committee and a charter and life member of Henry J. Sweeney Post 2, Manchester, N.H., on Jan. 20, in Worcester, Mass.

U.S. Senator Andrew F. Schoeppel (R-Kan.), a general member of the Legion's Nat'l Distinguished Guests Committee (1950-56) and (1958-62); on Jan. 21, in Wichita, Kan.

Leonard "Stub" Allison, former head football coach at the Univ. of Calif. and a pioneer of American Legion Baseball; recently, in Berkeley, Calif.

Carl L. Thompson, Director of the Arkansas Veterans Service Office and an active member of American Legion Post 57, Arkadelphia, Ark., since 1919; recently, in Little Rock.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

The citation of an individual Legionnaire to life membership in his Post is a testimonial by those who know him best that he has served The American Legion well.

Below are listed some of the previously unpublished life memberships that have been reported to the editors. They are arranged by States or Depts.

Charles A. Wasson (1959), Post 35, Chandler, Ariz.
 Albert D'Amico (1953) and R. J. Phillips (1955), Post 95, Oroville, Calif.
 J. Frank Buckley (1961), Post 161, Antioch, Calif.
 Lorena Hermance (1961), Post 467, Studio City, Calif.
 Claud Ditto and Fred Ebel and Dr. L. T. Elofson and Carl Erickson (all 1961), Post 53, Monte Vista, Colo.
 Albert Anderson and Thomas Anderson and Linwood Bogue and Emilio Cardarelli (all 1961), Post 105, Cromwell, Conn.
 William V. Barnett (1961), Post 143, Bridgeport, Conn.
 Harry Vaughn Merritt (1961), Post 5, Rehoboth Beach, Del.
 William O'Connor (1961), Post 29, Washington, D.C.
 Frank Finger and John H. Keim (both 1961), Post 172, Marissa, Ill.
 Anzelm Czarnowski (1957) and Xenophon Cavghagis and Edwin Cheeseman and Martin Ferentchak (all 1961), Post 735, Summit, Ill.
 Russell W. Hovey and Edward I. Sunstedt (both 1961), Post 904, Loves Park, Ill.
 John Fesmire (1960), Post 83, Kansas City, Kans.
 Joseph Brockmeyer (1962), Post 1, Baltimore, Md.
 William L. Boorman (1962), Post 27, Baltimore, Md.
 Herbert A. Masterton (1962), Post 28, Takoma Park, Md.
 George H. Curtin and Dr. Thomas J. Powers (both 1961), Post 60, Dorchester, Mass.
 Charles Phillips and Henry Sheehan and Wilbur Staples (all 1961), Post 200, Avon, Mass.

Bennie Alberico and Matteo Annese and Michael Annese and Earl Condon (all 1961), Post 442, Cambridge, Mass.

Arthur Johnston and Henry Zupke (both 1961), Post 51, Buchanan, Mich.

Clarence A. Mitchell and Albert E. Rohert (both 1960) and George Dollar (1961) and Roy Tolliever (1962), Post 232, Detroit, Mich.

Victor M. Mathews, Sr. (1961), Post 61, North Kansas City, Mo.

Dr. Neal P. McKee (1961), Post 86, Atkinson, Nebr.

Fred W. Schuman (1961), Post 91, Osceola, Nebr.

Tomas A. Moran (1961), Post 12, Somerville, N. J.

William Leek and Frederick Stutsman Grossman and Arthur Treible (all 1961), Post 27, Dover, N. J.

John Coats and Francis Crawn and Leon McKeon and John Murphy (all 1961), Post 86, Newton, N. J.

Roy Snyder and Arend Timer and Robert Wehner (all 1961), Post 199, Hawthorne, N. J.

Howard A. Goolley and Charles J. Lesson (both 1961), Post 91, Mechanicville, N. Y.

Herbert Bernstein (1961), Post 263, New York, N. Y.

Joseph F. D'Amato (1961), Post 451, Corona, N. Y.

Joseph Callegari (1961), Post 1008, New York, N. Y.

Joseph E. Schortemyer (1961), Post 1224, New York, N. Y.

C. M. Anderson and Harold Piper (both 1958) and Alf Olson and Dr. G. J. Worner (both 1959), Post 26, Minot, N. Dak.

Millard Willis and Frank Wrightman and Frank Zarones (all 1960), Post 10, Albany, Oreg.

Thomas J. Kane (1954) and David S. Moore, Jr. and Warren L. Stroud, Sr. (both 1960), Post 241, Philadelphia, Pa.

Elmer McDurdy, Sr. and John Milkiewicz and Joseph P. Miller and Agust J. Mizzer (all 1960), Post 544, Minersville, Pa.

Agostino Castagna (1960), Post 763, Philadelphia, Pa.

Victor T. Raia (1961), Post 827, Altoona, Pa.

Herman DeMatthews (1961), Post 901, Jeffersonville, Pa.

Robert D. Marsden (1961), Post 246, Wall, S. Dak.

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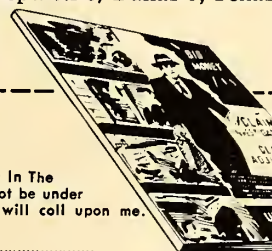
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Anton Bily, Jr. (1961), Post 313, Houston, Tex.
Ben F. McNeely (1952) and Marcus N. Cowan
(1955) and C. W. Chisler (1958), Post 416, Hous-
ton, Tex.

Frederick R. Smith (1961), Post 76, Barton, Vt.
Charles W. Crush (1960), Post 59, Christians-
burg, Va.

Frank B. Schmitz (1961), Post 219, Milwaukee,
Wis.

Leslie A. Miller and D. T. Morris and Marshall
S. Reynolds (all 1961), Post 6, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Post Commanders or Adjutants are
asked to report life membership
awards to "Life Memberships," The
American Legion Magazine, 720 5th
Ave., New York 19, N.Y. Post number,
location and date of award is re-
quested in all cases and current
membership card number when pos-
sible. Receipt of names cannot be
acknowledged.

Life Memberships in Maryland, Ohio
and West Virginia are only accepted if
received via the Department Adjutant,
in conformity with state Legion policy.

Membership Awards

1962 Winners

The Louisiana American Legion won
three of the Legion's top membership
awards for 1962.

The awards are as follows:

Hanford MacNider Trophy—awarded
annually to the department having the
highest percentage of advance member-
ship enrolled for the ensuing year on
Dec. 31, as compared with the total en-
rollment on Dec. 31 for the year just
ending. Louisiana's total for 1961 was
47,210 and for 1962 (on Dec. 31, 1961)
the total was 43,213 — or 91.53 percent
of the 1961 total.

John G. Emery Trophy—awarded an-
nually to the department having the
highest percentage of membership on
Jan. 31, as compared with the average
membership for the four preceding years.
Louisiana's 1962 enrollment as of Jan.
31, 1962, was 43,604 or 88.12 percent of
the department's 4-year average of
49,483.

General John J. Pershing Award—pre-
sented annually to the department hav-
ing the greatest percentage of its posts
receiving the honor ribbon for having
100 percent, or more, of the post's pre-
vious year's membership enrolled for the
coming year by Dec. 31.

Other 1962 awards were:

Alvin M. Owsley Trophy—won by the
North Dakota American Legion—awarded
to the department having the highest
percentage of membership on Dec. 31
for the ensuing year, as compared with
the average membership for the immedi-
ately preceding 10 years. North Dakota's
total was 24,669 for 1962 on Dec. 31,
1961 or 89.79 percent of its 10-year av-
erage of 27,473.

**Arthur D. Houghton Sons of The
American Legion Trophy**—won by the
Ohio American Legion—awarded to that
detachment of the Sons of The American
Legion which on Jan. 1 of each year has
attained the greatest percentage of in-
crease over the previous year's total en-
rollment.

BRIEFLY NOTED

Entries in the musical and marching con-
tests during The American Legion's 44th
annual Nat'l Convention Oct. 5-11 in Las
Vegas, Nev., will be vying for \$3,200 in
additional prizes — the first increase in
prize money for many years.

Two new American Legion Nat'l Child
Welfare Brochures, "Mentally Ill Chil-
dren" and "Youth Physical Fitness," may
be obtained by writing to: National
Child Welfare Division, The American
Legion, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis 6,
Ind.

Sons of The American Legion member-
ship showed a gain of 1,231 in 1961. 85
new charters were issued during that
year to bring the total of chartered
squadrons to more than 2,000.

The name of the Kansas City, Mo. law
firm with which Nat'l Cmdr Charles Ba-
con is associated was formerly known as
Shook, Hardy, Ottman & Mitchell. On
Jan. 1 the name of Cmdr Bacon was
added to the firm name as a full partner
and that sign on the door now reads
Shook, Hardy, Ottman, Mitchell &
Bacon.

Special 45 rpm disc recordings of a
Charge to Initiates made by Nat'l Cmdr
Bacon are now available from each of
the Legion's Department Hdqs. The re-
cordings have been made in order to
stimulate interest in holding initiation
ceremonies as a part of the observance of
The American Legion's 43rd birthday on
March 15-17.

"The Story of the Century", a division
history of the 100th Infantry Division
can be obtained by writing Anthony F.
Tom, 136 Grand View Ave., Bridgeport
6, Conn.

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United States . . . 248 in the House of
Representatives and 60 in the Senate.
In addition, President Kennedy, Vice
President Johnson and four of the Presi-
dent's Cabinet are also members of the
Legion.

Allegany Ballistics Laboratory was re-
cently presented a national award by the
Maryland American Legion in recogni-

tion of its record in employing veterans,
physically handicapped veterans and
other handicapped persons.

As an important part of the Legion's
overall Safety Program, American Legion
posts throughout the country will help
promote American Bike Month in May
as a public service.

The Colorado American Legion recently
organized an All Ute Indian Post known
as Taylor-Washington-Box Post 36 lo-
cated at Ignacio, Colo.

Gov. Luis Munoz-Marin of Puerto Rico
recently presented a flag of the Puerto
Rican Commonwealth to The American
Legion's Washington office, completing
the roster of American commonwealth
flags in the Legion's "Hall of Flags" au-
ditorium there.

COMRADE IN DISTRESS

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rades are urged to do so.

Notices are run at the request of
The American Legion Nat'l Rehabilita-
tion Commission. They are not ac-
cepted from other sources.

Readers wanting Legion help with
claims should contact their local serv-
ice officers.

Service officers unable to locate
needed witnesses for claims develop-
ment should refer the matter to the
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through normal channels, for further
search before referral to this column.

Fort George Wright Hospital, Spokane, Wash. or
515th AF Trng Gp, Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss.—
Arthur D. Smith. Anyone who served at either
of these two places in 1943 and remembers this
veteran known as "Smitty" from Atlanta, Ga.,
please contact Mayor Arthur D. Smith, City
Hall, Swanton, Ohio. Claim pending.

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Magazine, 720 Fifth Ave., New York 19, N.Y.
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ARMY

4th Armored Div—(Apr.) Edward Rapp, 144-47
72nd Rd., Flushing 67, N.Y.
14th Engrs (WWI)—(May) David E. Brooks, 37
Park Ave., North Quincy 71, Mass.
93rd Armored FA Bn—(June) Hubert D. Polley,
1311 Mahoning, Warren, Ohio.
131st AAA Gun Bn (WW2)—(June) Fred J. Keller-
man, Jr., 1617 Gilsey Ave., Cincinnati 5, Ohio.
317 FS Bn—(Apr.) John Pacheco, Parker House,
Boston, Mass.
967th AAA Gun Bn, Btry H—(June) E. M. Weldon,
Jr., 169 Carriage Dr., Mableton, Ga.
1896th Engrs Avn Bn—(June) Lester A. Sealey, 14
High St., Natick, Mass.

NAVY

302nd Seabees—(June) Martin A. Lowe, 8441 Bay-
ard St., Philadelphia 50, Pa.
USS Allentown (PF-52) (WW2)—(June) Albert P.
Macelis, 5015 Whitman Terrace, Pennsauken 8,
N.J.
USS Arizona—(Apr.) Joseph Keen, 811 Locust
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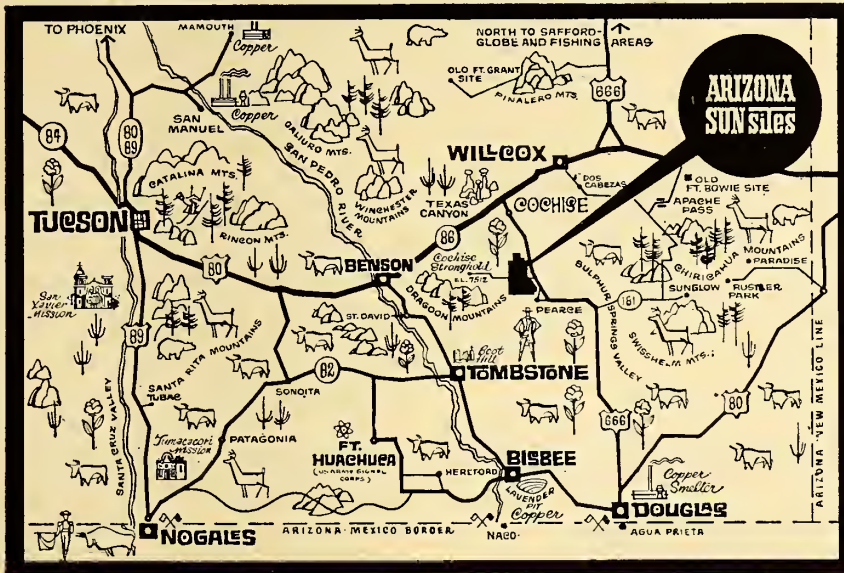
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WHAT HAPPENED TO LINDBERGH?

(Continued from page 13)

tent influence of his father did not start to emerge until he met Anne Morrow, intelligent daughter of a U.S. Ambassador, and a girl to whom political discussion was second nature. Like Lindbergh she tended to withdraw from society, to be alone, to contemplate. They talked and contemplated together, forming a bond which resulted in marriage in 1930.

As the political awareness of Lindbergh came to the surface, it was colored by the fact that his fame had all but destroyed his personal privacy. The public tried to tear him into souvenirs every time he was caught unguarded; reporters even stormed his honeymoon retreat. But the general pattern of harassment was brought to a head when notoriety led indirectly to the kidnap-murder of his first son. The reaction of the natural "loner" was epitomized in his cry on the night of discovery: "They have taken our baby!" Flagrant sensationalizing of the crime increased Lindbergh's distaste for a public he had never really embraced. The mobs which jeered his father and the mobs which surged around the trial courthouse, or stampeded him in the streets were all one and the same—the frightening "they."

But it is wrong to link this budding political consciousness solely with the kidnaping or with Lindbergh's family background. It was influenced to a large degree by an unusual friendship he formed two years before, in 1930.

In that year of marriage and optimism, the technical talent that put Lindbergh in the *Spirit of St. Louis* also encouraged him to visit the laboratories of

Dr. Alexis Carrel at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, where the gifted surgeon was trying to perfect a mechanical heart that would keep organs alive outside the body. Lindbergh had been depressed by the death from heart failure of a close relative. Conceiving of a mechanical heart himself, his inquiries led to Carrel. The Nobel-prize winning scientist studied him with piercing, almost hypnotic eyes as he explained to the flier that the technicians who had been fashioning his apparatus had failed to satisfy him. Lindbergh impressed Carrel with his quick, intelligent questions. A short time later, Lindbergh returned with an entirely new apparatus of his own design, and when this failed he went on to create hundreds of pounds of experimental equipment until eventual success brought down a shower of medical fame on the two friendly collaborators.

During their close professional association a personal relationship formed which far overshadowed their scientific progress. "Dr. Carrel," Lindbergh declared, "has one of the most brilliant, penetrating and versatile minds I have ever met. His every action is filled with character..."

Character indeed!

Mr. and Mrs. Carrel had become steady companions of the Lindberghs with whom the scientist carefully ingratiated himself, and he was on hand during the tragic aftermath of the kidnaping. It was implicit in his own theories of government, he explained many times, that such a horrid crime could be prevented. Hauptmann, who had en-

tered the country illegally from Germany, would have been detected and accounted for if our government took firm, efficient control of its citizens, for their own good. Hauptmann had a German criminal record. Registered, photographed and numbered in a smoothly run totalitarian state, he would have been detected and ejected immediately. But under American "freedom," he was permitted to hide in anonymity until he chose his victim.

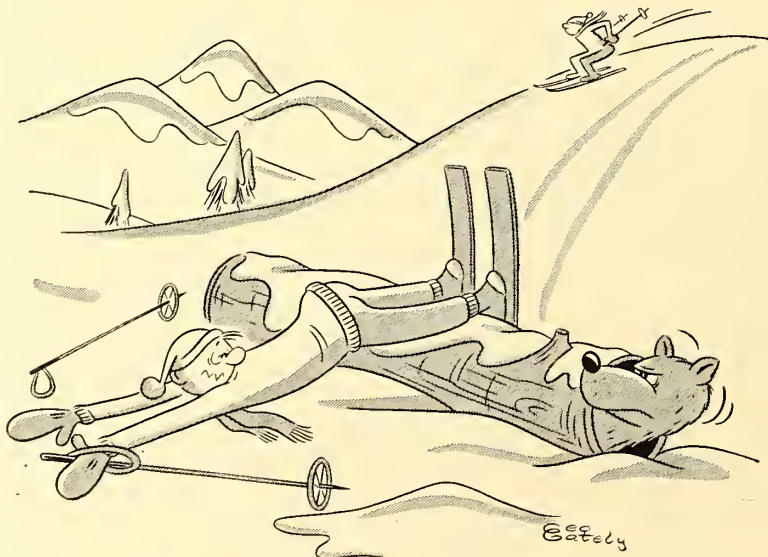
Later, Carrel would write in "Man, the Unknown," his best-selling book: "Those who have murdered, robbed while armed, kidnapped children, despoiled the poor of their savings, misled the public on important matters, should be humanely and economically disposed of in small euthanasic institutions supplied with proper gases . . . Modern society should not hesitate to organize itself with reference to the normal individual." But his definition of the "normal" individual might later change. "We do not know the genesis of great men," Carrel said on one occasion. "Perhaps it would be effective if we could kill off the worst of these pure races and keep the best, as we do in the breeding of dogs." Such was the mind of the man who had gained Lindbergh's confidence!

Then it began to seem that a society congenial to Carrel's ideas was emerging in the new Germany, re-industrialized and re-vitalized under Hitler's crash program. Carrel's eyes looked toward Europe, beyond his native France into the pulsing heartland of Germany, and in 1935 he kissed America goodbye.

A year later Lindbergh and his family also left the United States for Europe. His surreptitious departure angered many Americans, but only briefly. Apologists blamed the continued invasion of family privacy by photographers. After the terrible murder and trial he needed isolation and peace, and when he got it he would return.

After a stay in England, the Lindberghs joined the Carrels to live on a pair of tiny islands off the coast of Brittany, and there the association continued. During 1936-1938 Carrel was in close touch with English and French fascist-inclined intelligentsia, and by strange coincidence, in 1936 and in 1937 and 1938, Lindbergh found himself flying personally into the Reich as the guest of our State Department's Embassy in Berlin, and as the honored guest of Air Marshal Goering.

Compare two views of Lindbergh at this point, our government's and the German. In the U.S. his relationship with Carrel and his new political ideas were virtually unknown. He remained a top expert on aircraft and in this capacity it was felt that he might get some hot



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information out of Germany on rearmament, provided Goering would show him around.

Now the German view: Carrel, who was internationally known and in constant touch with French, English and German fascists, was Lindbergh's constant friend. There was every possibility that if the red carpet was rolled out for Lindy, and for him alone the veil of secrecy was lifted from the new nazi air power, he would report to a war-hating world that the nazi armies were invincible.

And that is just what they did. And that is just what Lindy did.

At Goering's elbow he was shown a quantity of modern killer planes that made British, French and Russian stuff look like box kites. As Lindbergh summed it up, the Germans could beat the whole lot of them combined. A war-scared world listened, and the nations that might have acted in time did nothing, their fear crystallized by Lindbergh's awesome reports.

Years later at the Nuremberg trials, the Czech representative asked Marshal von Keitel, "Would the Reich have attacked Czechoslovakia in 1938 if the Western powers had stood by Prague?" Keitel replied, "Certainly not. We were not strong enough militarily. The object of Munich was to get Russia out of Europe, to gain time, and to complete the German armaments."

And at the core of this bluff, almost unwittingly, was Charles Lindbergh. Just what evil had he done?

Hitler was poised above Czechoslovakia with its fine army and immense Skoda arms works. The Czechs had a mutual defense pact with France and Russia, with Russia requiring that France act first. But the French Daladier government, refusing to spill blood in a useless war, demanded to know how well prepared were the Russians. In September 1938, the issue hanging in the balance, officials waited in suspense for Lindbergh to return from a brief tour of Russian air power. On September 9 the Lone Eagle flew in from Moscow with word that Russian planes and pilots were inferior in quality and quantity to the German. From Paris, Lindbergh went to London where his report frightened the British. When he was finished, his added weight had made it sure that the French would not trust the Russians, and that the British would not assist the French out of friendship in any defense of Czechoslovakia. The scene was set for Munich, and in that historic conference on September 20 Hitler was given free license to enter the Sudetenland portion of the helpless nation.

"Peace with honor", said Neville Chamberlain.

"This is only the first sip . . . of a bitter cup which will be proffered to us

year by year" . . . said Winston Churchill in Commons, "Unless . . . we rise again and take our stand for freedom."

And what of Charles Lindbergh? Would he ever again take a stand for freedom? He would, but it would be several years later. A grand delusion, in the mind of a stubborn and respected man, had yet to run its course and have its total impact.

Before he was finished, Lindbergh predicted the defeat of England when England was actually winning the Battle of Britain; he accepted a high medal from Goering and said he was proud of it; he testified in Congress against giving aid to the Allies, and he made a series of national-hookup radio addresses arguing against our participation. In these speeches and in articles he became the spearhead of the isolationist movement, behind which pro-German and pro-fascist radicals aligned. Finally attacked by Roosevelt himself, he failed to withdraw.

And what of Carrel, the man behind Lindbergh? With the invasion of France by the Germans, the doctor was enabled to set up a weird Institute for the Improvement of Humanity in which to conduct experiments along his own peculiar lines of thought. He kept up a correspondence with Lindbergh, and Lindbergh continued his isolationist

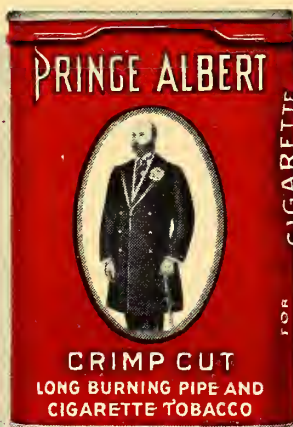
fight until December 7, 1941. Then, as he had promised, Lindbergh offered his services in national defense. That this was consistent with his stand may come as a surprise.

The real danger to America, he had always said, lay in Asia—Russia, China, Japan. Why destroy Germany when Germany ought to join with us in destroying Russia? Destroy Germany by helping England and then Russia would just walk in and take over. Let Germany, England and Russia fight it out alone, and Germany would probably win. No, he did not care, he told a congressional committee, which side won. But if it were Germany as it probably would be (and would have been without our help) we could negotiate honorably with Hitler from strength (for we should rearm). Better Germany than Russia.

The Japanese attack helped confirm Lindbergh's Asiatic warnings, yet at the same time took the wind out of his sails, because Germany and Japan were allied. Lindbergh had predicted Germany would never attack us, but through Japan she indirectly had.

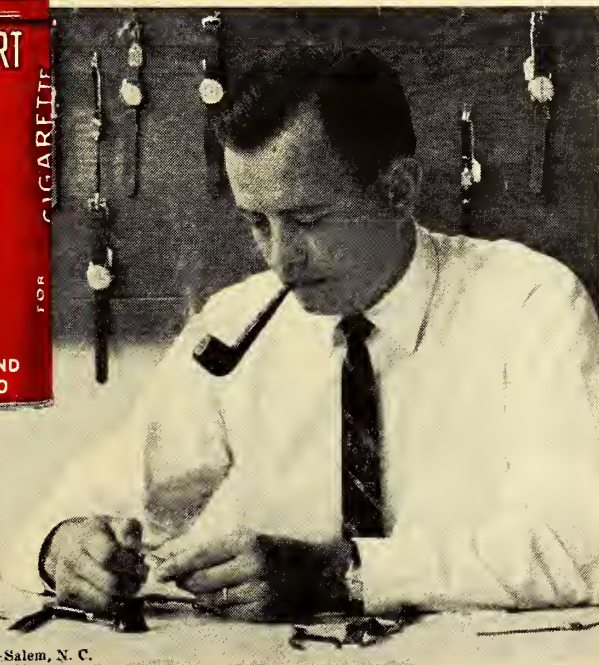
Finally silenced, Lindy offered to fight. Perhaps the change had begun, the disease run its course. Refused military duty, he was grudgingly given clearance to serve as a consultant at Ford's Willow Run plant in 1942. Lind-

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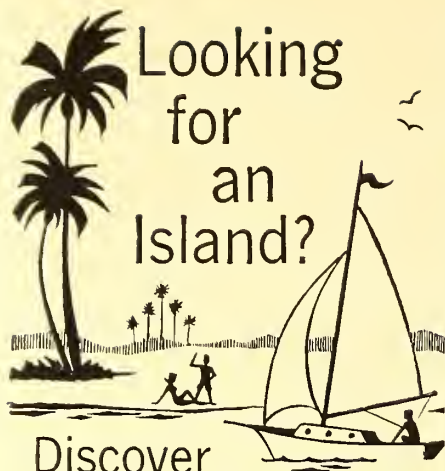


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bergh threw himself into his work, initiated many improvements that sped mass production of the B-24 and improved the plane. Then he flew high-altitude ignition-breakdown tests of the Thunderbolt fighter and on one occasion he was almost killed in a screaming dive when his oxygen equipment failed. Unconscious, he plunged from 36,000 feet to 11,000 before thickening air revived him and he could bring the plane under control. His death at this point would have caused surprisingly little grief, for his name was still an anathema to many of his own land. Unloved and unsung, he labored in the war effort without fanfare or publicity, shoulder to shoulder with the airmen who could appreciate his contribution for its technical merit. Politics seemed well behind him.

In a final burst of self-sacrifice and apparent expiation, Lindbergh secured permission to fly fighter-test missions in the Pacific under fire, as a civilian. While the officials who made the arrangements may have had mixed feelings about the possible outcome, General H. H. "Hap" Arnold of the Air Force still was grateful that Lindbergh's early reports on German air power had been sent direct to him, and had enabled him to get Congress to speed up air rearmament in 1939 and 1940. Some British authorities were to claim that Lindbergh exaggerated German plane production by 300 to 400 percent, but proof of this charge has been lost in technicalities, as has the claim that Lindbergh may have exaggerated intentionally misinformation he secured from Goering.

In any event, "Hap" Arnold had never lost faith in the "real" Lindbergh and willingly conspired to enable his friend to serve in the Pacific. Would Lindy promptly be shot down? That seemed unlikely, for in mock dogfights with our own aces stateside Lindy had won every combat. Forty years old, with reflexes of a man of 20, he was in fighting prime.

The Lone Eagle flew 50 missions into the rising sun, missions on which he evaluated plane performance, and put the P-38 Lightning through live strafing runs and bombing missions.

Twice Lindbergh shot down Japanese Zeroes!

He was the old Lone Eagle then, flying high and fast, part of a fighter formation guarding a bombing run on Japanese oil

installations. Suddenly a Zero dived toward an American bomber in front of Lindbergh's P-38. Without hesitation he veered onto the Jap's tail, gave him a burst from his .50 caliber guns and watched him go down in flames.

This was a far cry from the Lindbergh who strolled, smiling, in Berlin with Goering's arm around his shoulder.

In September 1944 Lindbergh returned to the U.S. without fanfare. And in November of that year Dr. Alexis Carrel cheated the jury that would have tried him as a collaborator, by dying of natural causes.

On December 17, 1945, speaking before the Aero Club in Washington on the 42nd anniversary of the Wright Brothers' first flight, Lindbergh seemed at last completely free of Carrel's influence when he said, "The developments of science, improperly guided, can result in more harm than good . . . power alone has a limited life. History is full of its misuse. There is no better example than Nazi Germany. Power without moral force to guide it invariably ends in the destruction of the people who wield it. Power to be ultimately successful, must be backed by morality; just as morality must be backed by power."

From that date, Lindbergh, having admitted his mistakes in his own quiet way, and having atoned in some measure, withdrew increasingly from the public scene. Opinion remains bitter regarding his "errors in judgment," and probably will remain so for many years to come. And as long as history is discussed, men will debate the reasons why the Lone Eagle went wrong. All in all, it is a strange story and an important story. It is an important lesson that the hero who gains a microphone must be listened to carefully, not needlessly simply because he is a hero. And that a man's importance in one field has little bearing on his value in another.

More than anything it is a lesson that in America with its free press we could recoil from the blows of a powerful dissenter, one who openly took issue with the president himself; that we could shake off indecision and act. And finally we were a country that could understand and in some measure tolerate such a dissenter, and in the end give him a chance to pay his debt.

THE END

SPRING TRAINING, INDIAN STYLE

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in the autumn, right after the corn was harvested and when the Cherokees had plenty of leisure time. Probably the biggest reason for holding their "world series" so early in the season was the need for players. The best runners and scorers were frequently killed before the end of a season, their opponents having ganged

up on them to reduce the competition.

Chippewa Indians, living in the woodlands north and west of Lake Superior, played a slower game than anetsa. But their game was much more difficult and required almost unimaginable energy and endurance.

It was called obranta and was a mix-

ture of swimming, volleyball, and deep sea diving.

A weighted ball, generally leather covered, was thrown into a river or lake. Seven players from either team plunged after it. Their aim was to recover it before it touched the bottom. If a player caught the ball in its descent, he carried it underwater to a position assigned him before the game. Then, with the help of his teammates, he tried to hurl the ball over a vine or net suspended across the water's bottom.

If the ball was not blocked by his opponents — if it was successfully pushed over the net — one point was scored. Twenty points won the game.

Obranta sometimes lasted a whole week, with the players stopping only for meals and darkness. Often the ball fell too fast and touched the bottom before a player reached it. In that case the whole play had to begin again. At other times the ball was blocked. All players then assumed their original positions at the water's edge.

To sustain the fantastic pace required by this game, Chippewas began their training at birth! Squaws frequently lowered newborn children into the water to toughen their skin for obranta. They also wanted to get their lungs used to the strenuous demands of the game.

Boys of five or six had to swim whole mornings without food or rest.

Young Chippewas of 12 or 13, on being made adult members of their tribe in an all-night dance and mystic ceremony, were given a miniature obranta — a weighted ball similar to the one used in the game. They had to wear this about their necks until a team on which they played was victorious. Its presence on a Chippewa brave was considered a mark of great shame.

To overcome their shame, Chippewas trained hard and long for the big contest. They rolled their naked bodies in ice and snow to make them insensitive to cold or pain. Bear grease was rubbed into muscles and joints, its magic properties helping obranta players slide through the water. Stones with sharp edges were used to form long scars along the face, neck, and hips. These scars, Chippewas believed, allowed the body to glide through the water with greater ease.

To achieve the same purpose, the hair was cut in the shape of a V, the angle being formed from the center of the head toward the back.

A diet of fish — trout, bass, or perch — was considered obligatory for all players of obranta. Boratas or herbs resembling lettuce but growing in shallow water at a stream's edge were also eaten in great quantity. The borata made the body lighter, its thick leaves buoying up the body of the obranta player from inside.

Obranta contests were held at four

different seasons of the year. The time in between was filled with work or training.

Before each contest, which was usually held on a Wednesday, the Chippewa medicine man poured spring water over all contestants. He then wrapped the thighs of veteran players with fox skins, while he scratched the thighs of rookies with splinters taken from duck legs. After this, special incantations were sung by the shaman and the game was ready to begin.

Perhaps the toughest of all sports played by Indians in this country, obranta demanded the greatest possible sturdiness and energy of body, mind, and spirit. How many American athletes today would be able to play obranta?

The Arapaho Indians, who dwelt on the upper Platte and Arkansas rivers, spent most of their lives on horseback. A bison hunting tribe, their sports were typical of Indian settlements on the Plains. Among the plainsmen, emphasis was put on individual talent rather than on teamwork.

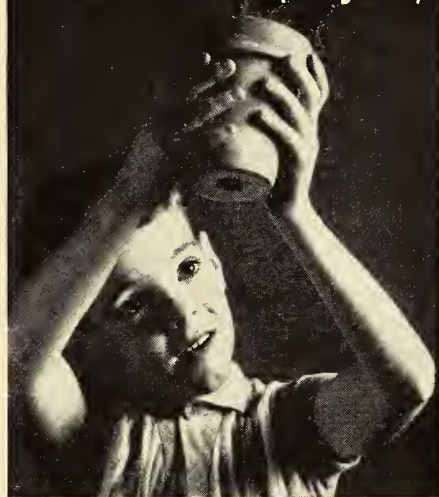
The Arapahos played a game which was a combination of joust and basketball. Two horsemen, each carrying a spear with a jagged edge, charged at a ball made of soft wood. The ball was placed at an equal distance from each opponent, the field being about 200 yards long. Their object was to pierce the ball, transport it to the point of origin and throw it with the javelin through a hoop made of wild cherry branches. Each basket counted for one point, and five points won the game.

Two important reasons accounted for the low final scores set for this game. First, accidents often happened, and an Arapaho horseman frequently lanced his opponent rather than the ball! Second, the two opponents had to engage in an elaborate sun dance after each point was scored. Often this dance lasted for hours, and the athletes were joined by the seven age-graded ritual societies of men in the tribe. Sometimes the contest went on for several days.

The young Arapahos were prepared for their tribal sport from boyhood. A "brave" of six or seven years would be tied to a pony's back and made to ride a full day at a time. When he dismounted, the skin would have vanished from his rump and inner thighs. Huge sores and welts would have taken its place. The boy would then be wrapped tightly in bison skin. A tubular pipe, which was an Arapaho, fetish, was placed on top of him to heal his wounds. A shaman would then chant prayers over the young brave while his relatives engaged in the ghost dance of the Arapaho religion.

Later on, the Arapaho brave would have a special diet consisting of raw buffalo meat, green grapes and wolf's blood. Before a contest, a brave could not see his wife or family for seven days,

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nor could he speak to anyone for 28 hours preceding the game. About 12 hours before the contest began, his body was covered with a hood. This hood could not be removed until he had mounted his horse and the action had started.

After the game, baths were administered to the Arapaho athletes. The water was made incredibly hot to drive away evil spirits, and the body of each brave was beaten with branches of oak leaves to restore vigor to the body.

The victor was assigned a special place among the chiefs of the tribe for an Arapaho feast and moon-dance. The loser, if he survived, was painted in bright colors, his head was dressed with feathers, and he was welcomed by all members of the tribe. This was done to show that the Arapahos accepted him in spite of his defeat and that he would be given a chance to prove his courage in a future contest.

Twenty-eight days after the contests, which were held three times each year, the victory celebration was repeated. Here new braves were selected for the next feat. Each drank blood from a freshly slain buffalo and swore to uphold the courage of the tribe.

The Apaches, who were a nomadic and predatory tribe of the Southwest, had many different kinds of sports. They had jousts and swimming matches, javelin and running contests, and they played a game similar to the anetsa of the Cherokees. But they excelled at pelota—a game which the Apaches invented long before the Spanish named it and which closely resembled our football. The differences were that pelota was played with 14 men instead of 11, and that a rock was used in place of a pigskin.

The objective was not to cross the opponent's goal carrying the rock, but to force one's rival to cross one's own goal doing so. Anything was permissible. An opponent could even be knocked uncon-

scious and carried across the goal.

Sometimes the game was played with horses and really got rough. A player could be roped, dragged up and down the field or across it until he finally consented to cross the goal. Such an act meant ultimate disgrace for the relatives of the Apache and the defeated player was then dismissed from the tribe. If, however, a player was unconscious or dead at the time of crossing the goal, no disgrace was incurred.

Pelota was the highest form of athletics and ritual for the Apache. It gave expression to the ferocity, wiliness, and raiding disposition later known to our cowboys. An Indian boy prepared for it by the most rigorous discipline.

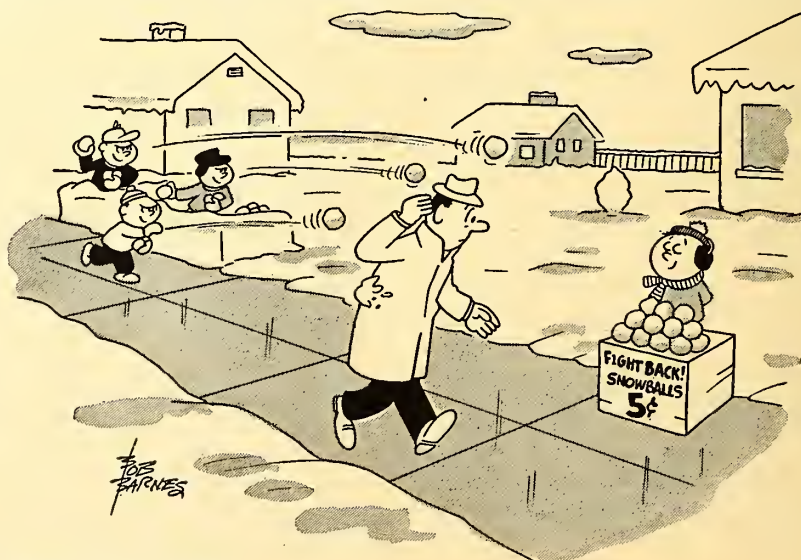
No father wished to have a son who would disgrace him at pelota. So he began early in the child's life to teach him to bear pain and torture.

Babies were washed in rattlesnake grease that magically toughened the skin. Sand and gravel were used to dry their bodies which were then fanned with buffalo skin or rubbed with maple leaves. Medicine men had special incantations for the young of each family.

Apache braves practised day and night for pelota. All other games as well as the buffalo hunt were its preparation. Braves were known to walk through briars or roll in thorns until their skin was covered with blood. They starved their bodies until they were completely submissive to their conscious will. Teammates flogged each other to simulate the conditions of the game, dragging each other across fields and streams to toughen their bodies for the big test.

Perhaps the roughest game of pelota ever played took place among the Apache Chiricahua when the famous Cochise was their Chief. More than 3,000 Apache attended the match, 18 braves were killed, and the game lasted for six days!

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rect United States foreign policy usually side with that enemy? Particular points in question are: 1. Why were 460 million potential friends, the Chinese, alienated from us soon after WW2? 2. Why was Chiang Kai-shek sold down the river when he and he alone had fought against the Japanese invaders of China? 3. Why did the makers of our foreign policy help in the dismantling and dismemberment of our primary ally, the British Empire, under the guise of anti-colonialism? 4. Why were similar actions taken to aid and abet the dismemberment of the French Empire and that of Holland in Southeast Asia? 5. Why did these United States in the Suez crisis side against France and England, our long-time allies? 6. Why did our policy makers back Fidel Castro? 7. Why did our United Nations representative vote against our ally Portugal in the recent Angola trouble? 8. Now again, why are we on the side of the Russians in siding with those forces invading the land of one of the sole pro-Western groups in the Congo, the province of Katanga?

RALPH H. MANN
New York, N.Y.

ONE-SIDED

SIR: I have been trying to figure out what sense there is in having a fine Department of Defense as long as the State Department can give away advantages faster than the armed forces can possibly win them. The situation in Berlin and East Germany, the Korean War, Cuba, the Congo and aid to communist countries without getting anything in return are among the colossal blunders of the State Department.

JOHN R. PERKINS
Wayne, Maine

GOOD EXAMPLE

SIR: I wish to express our thanks to the staff of *The American Legion Magazine* for the wonderful anti-communist work you are doing. We of American Legion Post 138, of Stratton, Colo., with other local Legion and V.F.W. Posts, are starting an Americanism program on our local TV station (KWHT-TV) under the title "The American Veterans Forum," using films and speakers. Could you in some way encourage others to do something on this order?

JOE CURE
Stratton, Colo.

LATCH STRING IS OUT

Sir: Some time ago you published an article in *The American Legion Magazine* describing some of the oldest churches in the United States. However, this article did not include the West Parish Meetinghouse of West Barnstable, Mass., erected in 1717. The latch string is always out at the Meeting House, weather permitting, with a guest book at hand and leaflets describing this historic church.

ERNEST W. DEXTER
Mettapoisset, Mass.

IN HISTORY

SIR: To all ex-GI's from Hq. Co., 2nd Bn., 9 Infantry, 2nd Division! See a picture of yourselves climbing the hill on Omaha Beach, June 7, 1944, on page 177 of the "Encyclopaedia Britannica," Junior Volume W-X-Y-Z and Atlas No. 15, copyrighted in 1953. We are in History!! I ran across the picture while teaching my seventh grade History class, and explaining some of the events of WW2.

GEORGE G. SILLUP
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

WHY HE JOINED

SIR: Just a line to make known to you why I recently joined The American Legion. I had always thought that Legionnaires were just a lot of playboys but recently have become aware through the newspapers of the wonderful job they are doing in speaking out against communism, socialism, and the welfare state. I made up my mind right then that I wanted to support those dedicated pro-Americans who are leading this policy. As long as The American Legion remains one of the leaders in this fight for America, it is my sincere hope that all of our veterans will join in support of it.

SIDNEY S. WATTS
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SIR: The December 1961 issue had a short note about the LP record album *The Bells of Peace*. I would like to report that there are several of us locally who think this album is one of the finest we have heard and your readers, particularly hi-fi enthusiasts, might like another reminder as to how to secure this record. The Leyden-Chiles-Wickersham Post No. 1 of Denver, Colo., Mr. John Klein, who plays the U.S. Air Force Carillon Americana Bells, and Americana Records, Inc., are to be congratulated for a job superbly done.

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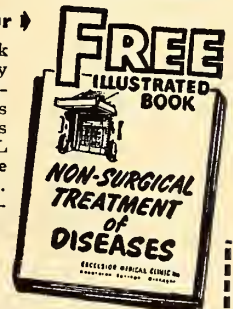
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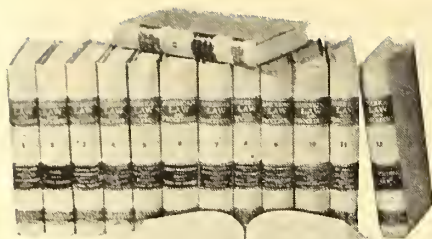
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No matter which side of the financial fence you're on—the savings side or the borrowing side—the cost of money (interest rate) is edging up.

If you're a saver, that's fine. You now can get as much as 4% on time deposits in commercial banks. Many savings banks will duplicate that figure. Savings & loan associations tend to go beyond it, some promising upwards of 4.5%. And at least one ingenious institution is advertising that it will double your money if you leave it on deposit for 20 years (that figures out to an interest rate of slightly over 3½% compounded semi-annually).

Meantime the yield on corporate AAA bonds is around 4½%, while government E and H bonds pay 3¾%.

Now for the other side of the coin: If you're angling for a mortgage or small-business loan, this situation will work in reverse for you. You'll find money charges stiffening or heading upward. The depth of the bite will vary with your geographic location, but the moral is the same all over: Don't expect any bargains in borrowing in the months ahead.

Three factors woven into the higher-interest-rate situation are 1) an attempt to create a better U.S. climate for foreign depositors, 2) a growing demand for loans, and 3) severe competition among financial institutions.

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"Medical electronics" is a term you're going to hear and read a lot about shortly.

It denotes a flood of new electronic aids that will improve the care, diagnosis, and treatment of the ill. Here are some examples:

- A hospital monitoring system that watches critical patients around the clock, continually reporting their temperature, pulse, and other pertinent data to a central observation station.
- A cardiac pacemaker that stimulates normal heart rhythm.
- An electronic stethoscope that amplifies heart and respiratory sound.
- An electronic cane for the blind which delivers radar guidance (hence eliminates tapping); an artificial larynx; improved hearing aids.

Much of this gear is pretty expensive (Modern Hospital says that 320-odd hospitals it surveyed already have spent about \$10-million), but the institutions feel that this is the kind of investment they must consider.

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A new twist in selling appliances through supermarkets is likely to have wide repercussions—in favor of your pocketbook.

Under the new plan, which originated in the Midwest, you get a bonus on your grocery purchases (between 5% and 6%) which you can apply toward the acquisition of an appliance. The idea, somewhat in the vein of trading stamps, is called "Instant Discount" or "Tape Plan."

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If patriotic marching music stirs you—and if you have a stereo phonograph—London Records' new "Pass in Review" disc should appeal to you. It has all the standard numbers ("Stars and Stripes Forever," "Anchors Aweigh," etc.) plus several that you may not have heard in quite some time.

The record, incidentally, also is a pioneer in a new recording technique which London calls "phase 4." The basic idea is to blend a number of tapes into a highly convincing envelope of sound. Price of "Pass in Review" is \$5.98 (\$4.98 in a mono version).

In the auto field, Chrysler is going to sell a handful (less than 100) cars with turbine engines to "typical" customers. This is purely an experiment, of course, to gauge public reaction to an engine in which hot gas spins a fan hooked to a drive shaft. The engine will run on anything down to furnace fuel, is self-cooled, has a clean exhaust, and will develop about 140 horsepower.

In many ways, the turbine is a car-owners' dream. It's economical to operate and service (it has only one-fifth as many parts as the standard reciprocating engine). But whether it will become a wide-scale reality still is a question, because it probably will be pretty expensive to build.

By Edgar A. Grunwald

FOR SALE: JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING

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masks at a handsome profit as diving helmets for kids.

Once real or personal property has been declared excess, GSA begins a systematic sleuthing of other Government agencies and departments to learn whether any of them wants or needs the property. In one case GSA agents placed untold pounds of surplus feathers with the Federal prison system to be used in making pillows.

Next, the General Services Administration investigates the possibility of selling surplus items to state and local governments. Sometimes these governing units can receive these goods under the donable property laws, which offer such property without cost for purposes of health, education and civil defense. Finally, if both of these steps draw blanks, the property is offered to private buyers.

Some surpluses are created when, because of new scientific inventions and discoveries, certain items go out of date faster than yesterday's newspaper. The Chinese hog bristles, for example, now passé in marine paint brushes, have been superseded by cheaper, more utilitarian synthetic fibers. If a more efficient jeep should be developed many of those now in use would be obsolete for military purposes and doubtless they'd be offered for sale as surplus.

By the time surplus materials are offered to the public they are goods that no agency or department of the Government wants or needs. Items of a very specialized nature attract about as much attention as a firecracker in a thunderstorm. Such merchandise often requires considerable sherlocking to ferret out even one potential buyer.

Government salesmen don't let these drawbacks deter them. Indeed, they've found there is always someone ready to buy almost anything. One customer bought several hundred small boat anchors, lacquered them and sold the lot for fireplace andirons.

Government salesmen of surplus material are natural-born horse traders who delight in ringing up a satisfactory sale for Uncle Sam. They keep abreast of market conditions, know their commodity field and the potential uses of each item of surplus personal property. So it is not surprising that in the fiscal year of 1960 sales were concluded totaling \$142-million for materials such as nickel, cordage fibre, coconut oil, pyrethrum and synthetic cryolite.

How can you know when and where these sales are scheduled to take place? How can you find out what is being offered? How can you make a bid?

Watch for public announcements of the sales in newspapers and trade jour-

nals, on the radio and television, and notices posted in such public places as the post office and county courthouse. Better still, get your name on the mailing lists of the General Services Administration and the Department of Defense. Be sure to include your full name, complete address and the type of material in which you are interested. You will then regularly receive current information regarding the sale of surplus personal property by the agency to which you have written.

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Normally sales are made on a competitive basis. To insure the Government a fair return, minimum prices are set which are estimated fair market values of the property—the material going to the highest bidder.

Sometimes sales exceed the estimated fair market value. A case in point is the 73,309 long tons of rubber sold during the 1960 fiscal year. It brought in over \$64-million, a profit of almost \$7.5-million. Usually surplus sales return only about 15 percent of the acquisition cost of the property.

Competitive sales methods give you, as a bidder, a fair chance. The sealed bid, public auction and spot bid are used. In many instances provision is made so that prospective purchasers who find it impossible to attend the sales may submit mailed bids.

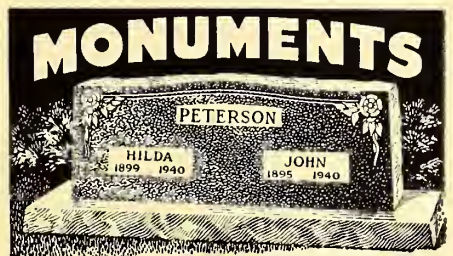
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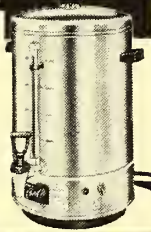
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In the spot bid method, you personally inspect the property, record your bid and deposit it in a bid box. When the successful bidder is announced, he must arrange for the prompt removal of his newly-acquired property.

Recently the Department of Defense added a new twist by using closed-circuit live TV to expose its wares simultaneously to buyers in several market areas at one time. And a variation of this selling technique was tried out last August when the DOD sponsored a nationwide, closed-circuit telephone auction of personal property.

In this latter sale the chief auctioneer conducted the proceedings from Atlanta. Prospective buyers not only in Atlanta but in New York, Columbus, Fort Worth, Denver and Berkeley, bid on some 435 items ranging from combat boots to an ocean-going tugboat. A color slide of each item was flashed on screens in all six cities. Linked by telephone, prospective customers at all locations bid on the merchandise. Loudspeaker systems enabled the buyers to hear the bids from all sites.

This telephone auction was highly successful. The Army tugboat brought \$100,000, and an Army supply boat \$85,000. One bidder took 1,200 duffel bags for 75¢ each. They originally cost \$2.75 each. Another buyer successfully bid for 1,084 pairs of used combat boots. From this unique sale Uncle Sam garnered \$2,079,052.44, a bit over 16 percent of the original cost of the material sold.

Some of the real surplus property handled over the years by the General Services Administration must be classed as singular, indeed. The regional office at Kansas City, for instance, offered a complete town for sale several years ago. Located at Indianola, Nebraska, it was formerly a Bureau of Reclamation installation. Complete with streets and utilities, the place included 86 homes spread over 200 acres of land. GSA price-tagged the place at somewhere around \$300,000.

Other surplus real estate has included the Trundy Point Fire Control Station at Cape Elizabeth, Maine. It consisted of over five acres of land, a 58-foot steel tower and a 67-foot concrete tower containing living quarters. Then there was 415 acres of unimproved land in Gulf County, Florida; a wild life refuge in Massachusetts; an Agriculture Department nursery in Texas; a Federal hospital, including ten buildings and 15 acres of land in Portland, Maine, and a \$160,-

000 post office building in New Bedford, Massachusetts.

In recent months Government excess real estate has swelled to surprising proportions. This is largely due to a determination by the present Administration to liquidate unnecessary holdings, many acquired during World War II on the basis of their emergency potential. At the present time GSA carries over 255 surplus real properties on its books. It seems highly unlikely that GSA's real estate salesmen will work themselves out of a job in the near future. In a recent six months' period they sold 133 properties—but 177 more were added to inventory.

Disposing of surplus real property is sometimes difficult. But GSA salesmen leave no stone unturned. Of course, certain real estate such as a lighthouse, a shorefront cottage site, an island, or almost any acreage in Florida have built-in appeals that attract many bidders. Attempting to sell a Government-owned warehouse in Buffalo, New York, is something else again. But GSA salesmen did find a customer who bid over \$25,000 for the property. It was appraised at only \$20,000 and cost but \$2,000 at the time of acquisition.

Islands seem to be one of the hottest items. With scores of bidders for each one available, they attract more attention than a blonde in an army barracks. One imaginative woman successfully bid on a little island in the center of Lake Champlain. That it was well-nigh impossible to reach because of the area's singular physical features didn't deter her.

One island, though, has been on the market for about seven years without attracting much attention. It's New York harbor's Ellis Island, an historic 27-acre mass of stone and masonry. In 60 years some 20-million immigrants to the United States passed through its gates. It closed down as an immigration station in 1954. If you're interested, you might be able to purchase Ellis Island complete with 36 buildings, water and sewage system, docks and a ferryboat for about \$6-million.

Although most real property offerings are doubtless of little interest to you, there may be an item or two that will strike your fancy. The procedures used to familiarize the public with available surplus real property—mailing lists, advertising, etc.—and the methods of sale are much the same as for surplus personal property.

In addition to the sealed bid and public auction, GSA uses realty brokers and negotiation in selling real property. A realty broker often handles the disposition of complex industrial and special purpose properties. Direct negotiation with potential buyers is used only when the other methods of sale have failed.

Each GSA regional office maintains a mailing list of people interested in a par-

ticular property in the region or a type of property which might become available. You can add your name to this mailing list by writing the GSA regional office nearest you.

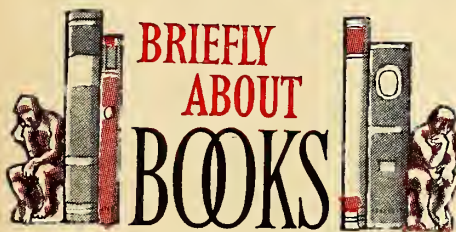
If you make a sealed bid for surplus real property, you must include a deposit which usually comes to 10 percent of the total amount. And you'll be glad to know that in this installment buying age you can purchase real property from Uncle Sam on this plan, too—if the purchase price is over \$2,500. The down payment of 20 percent or 25 percent and quarterly payments for eight or ten years depend upon the purchase price. The interest rate, effective July 1, 1961, is 5 percent per annum.

Incidentally, any deposit you include in a bid for either real or personal property will be refunded promptly in the event that you are an unsuccessful bidder. Further detailed information regarding the purchase of Government surplus real property may be secured by writing to General Services Administra-

tion, Washington, D. C., for the pamphlet, "Disposal of Surplus Real Property."

Both real and personal property sales are listed in the publication, "Commerce Business Daily." This is published daily and is available on a subscription basis of \$10 per year from the U. S. Department of Commerce, Administrative Service Office, Room 1300, 433 West Van Buren Street, Chicago 7, Illinois. In all likelihood you can examine a copy of this publication at the office of your local Chamber of Commerce.

Whether you personally can profit by investigating Government surplus real and personal property depends on what type of merchandise you want or need. If you're looking for an atom bomb, a space ship, or a 75-story office building, you won't find it here. But if you're in the market for automotive vehicles, hardware, wearing apparel, diamonds, an island, a \$64-million industrial plant in Morgantown, West Virginia, and many other items, the chances are that Uncle Sam has it for sale. THE END



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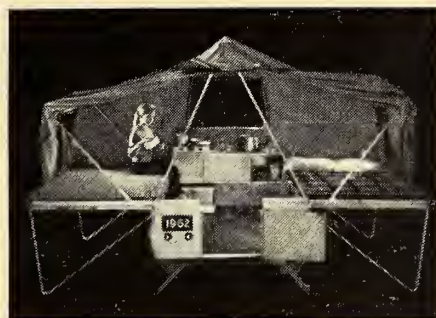
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THE TRUTH ABOUT THE "BLACKLIST"

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viciousness of a pack of cornered rats, were not the persecuted idealists they had pretended to be. Americans decided they wanted no part of such characters, and stayed away from films in which they had a part.

Their lush livelihood threatened, the communist element received powerful support in their efforts to prove that they were the ones who deserved sympathy—not the American people they were trying to sell out. As they cried "blacklist" their howls of anguish were echoed in some of the most influential publications in the country. But the American people were not impressed. As the cry began to die down the matter was revived in a widely distributed "study" made by the Fund for the Republic. This amateurish contribution to confusion did not make much of a case but it was enough for the same people who had previously been crying alligator tears over Hollywood's "persecuted" commies. These people seized upon the Fund's "study" as further proof that a lot of fine people were being victimized by a sinister crowd of superpatriots.

Now, after a lapse of several years, the same cry has been raised once again, and this time it has resounded from a strange quarter indeed—the once highly conservative *Saturday Evening Post*. In an article in the October 14, 1961 issue entitled "My Life on the Blacklist," Ring Lardner, Jr., acknowledged his Communist Party membership at the time of the 1947 hearings but then proceeded to use the pages of the *Post* to generate sympathy for himself and others who al-

legedly suffered as a result of the Waldorf Declaration.

There is no doubt that Lardner suffered economically when hearings of the HCUA exposed him as a communist. However, it would appear that, "blacklist" notwithstanding, he continued to live substantially, if not luxuriously, after his exposure. Nor does it follow that the industry was wrong in firing Lardner and his ideological soul-mates. It was Lardner's own action and his own decision that forced the industry's hand. He had the alternative of renouncing his communist obligations but he chose not to do so.

Lardner is a persuasive writer, and in his article he did an effective job of making it appear that the evil in Hollywood was the "blacklist" when, in reality, the problem was the communist penetration of the movie industry. Regrettably, *The Saturday Evening Post* did not see fit to present this side of the picture.

Communist attempts to penetrate Hollywood started about 30 years ago, when the commies embarked on a long-range plan to take over the industry and use it as an instrument of its program for world revolution. The ultimate objective, of course, was to overthrow the government of the United States and destroy our Judeo-Christian civilization. There is substantial evidence to establish that this effort was Moscow-directed and, to a large degree, Moscow-financed. Mr. Lardner was a part of this effort.

When the members of the industry finally became aware of what was going on they fought back, and some of the

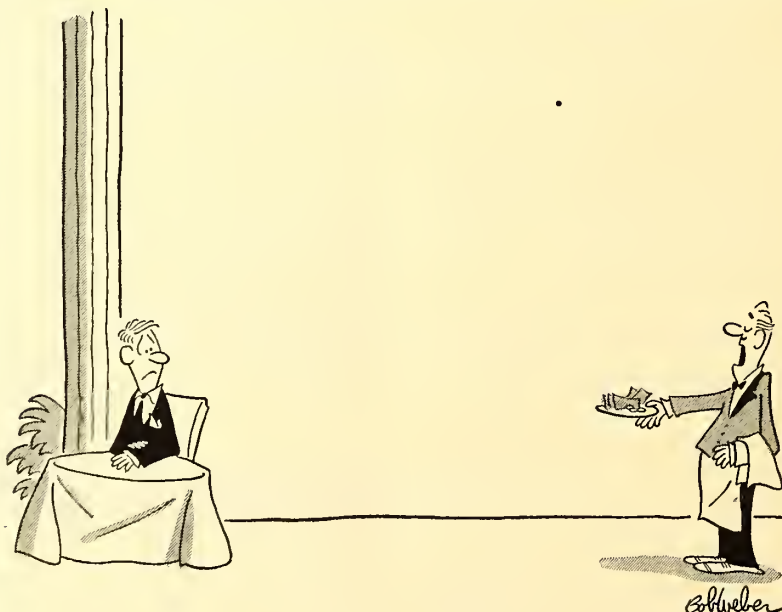
communists got hurt. But then so did many anti-communists, and the suffering of the reds who had started the trouble was nothing compared to injuries sustained by thousands of innocent persons who were thrown out of jobs by the strikes fomented by the communists—or whose legs or ribs were broken in the violence, or whose homes were bombed by red-inspired goon squads, or who were threatened with disfigurement because they refused to take the communist side.

Those who were there will not soon forget the sight of the mass picket lines around the Warner Brothers Studio in Burbank in October of 1945. Of Mr. John Howard Lawson and his so-called "intellectual" leaders, marching in the picket lines while Hollywood workers beat their fellow workers with stones, chains, bricks and broken bottles. Of their "peaceful" demonstrations, with strike leaders carrying rolled-up newspapers which concealed lead pipe or steel rods to strike down those who dared to resist them. Of the squad of "pros" who with a short piece of "two by four" could hit a locked car door so it would pop open and they could drag out and beat the occupants whose unions were not on strike and whose only crime was their desire to go to their jobs.

These "demonstrations" paralyzed the law enforcement agencies in the area of the Warner Brothers Studio for a period of ten days. Mr. Jack Warner could not get into his own studio. After one such demonstration seven tons of "instruments of persuasion" were cleaned up in the form of broken bottles, chains, rocks, bricks, etc. And to add insult to injury, the so-called "intellectuals" who were supporting the strike, headed by John Howard Lawson, sent a telegram to Mr. Warner blaming him for the violence because he would not submit to their blackmail.

It is little wonder that the industry fought back. If any criticism is justified it is because it didn't fight back hard enough or soon enough. Or because some of the members didn't really fight back at all as is indicated by Mr. Lardner's description of the manner in which some producers dealt with him surreptitiously and passed money "under the table."

Lardner's *Saturday Evening Post* article is unfair to the thousands of members of the industry who fought the fight to keep this important industry from falling into the hands of the communists, but it is more than that. It presents a completely distorted view of what the Communist Party is and how it works. It is the image which the Party wants us to have, but one which we had better



"Your change, sir."

not swallow if we want to survive.

To understand the true picture let us start with Mr. Lardner's effort to explain his motives. His effort to justify his action as a dedication to constitutional principles leaves us a little cold. Can anyone be so naive, at this late date, as to give credence to this explanation from a man who acknowledged his membership in a movement which denies all of the basic protection of personal rights which our Constitution guarantees? There is no evidence of his concern for the fact that the communist world denies its citizens *all* the rights which he says the Committee is denying to him and others. This is typical of the double standard by which communists judge the free world. Or, as Mrs. Khrushchev so dramatically put it . . . "But you don't understand — our bombs are for peace." Mr. Lardner's attitude towards American institutions then and now is still the same as that prescribed by the Communist Party position.

Let us next take his statement that the reason he chose the course of defiance was because he, personally, thought the Committee was invading *his* rights. What Mr. Lardner, obviously, hopes we will forget, is that his conduct before the Committee was identical in pattern, to that of the other nine recalcitrant reds. His conduct was in keeping with a decision of the Communist Party. The orders came from the Party, through the three communist lawyers who made up the group of five which represented the ten witnesses.

The manner in which this was put over is a typical example of communist treachery. One of the ten witnesses was Edward Dmytryk. He had actually left the Party at the time of the hearings, and he later broke completely and joined the anti-communist forces in Hollywood. The communists then tried to destroy him but they were unsuccessful. He is now high on their "hate list."

Although he had left the Party at the time of the hearings he was still in the periphery but not subject to strict Party discipline. He therefore hired a non-communist lawyer, the late Bartley Crum, who represented him. Crum had a national reputation as a lawyer but he was not wise to the ways of the red fraternity. At a "pre-trial" conference he agreed that his client, along with the other nine witnesses, would take a position which was to be formulated by a majority vote of the five lawyers. What Crum didn't know was that three of these five were disciplined Party members. Through them the Party directed the witnesses to defy the Committee on the grounds that the hearing was an illegal and unethical invasion of their individual rights to personal beliefs and associations. Dmytryk went along and wound up serving a term in the Federal peni-

tentiary for contempt of Congress.

Mr. Lardner states that after the case was lost he terminated his membership, "without confusing the act, in my own or anyone else's head with the quite distinct struggle for the right to embrace my belief or set of beliefs to which my mind and my conscience directed me." The language is ambiguous but what Mr. Lardner seems to be saying, in a quiet sort of way, is that after he was convinced he had lost his legal fight he terminated his membership in the Communist Party. He states it, however, in such a way as to imply that he has to say it but he hopes no one will notice. Somewhat like the double talk artist when he makes a statement but wipes his hand across his lips as he says it so the words are indistinct.

If this incident changed his basic relationship to the Party, more convincing evidence of it is needed. Indeed, he was challenged on this point by Rep. Francis E. Walter, Chairman of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, in a letter published in *The Saturday Evening Post*, January 13, 1962. Said Congressman Walter: "Actually, Lardner has avowed his concern for the success of both the local and Soviet Communist movements many years after his alleged termination of Party membership in 1950, and he has continued to play a starring role in the Party's front organization up to the very date of this communication."

The Congressman then cited some of Lardner's activities in this area. To this charge Lardner replied that he had not been a communist in "more than a decade," but he went on to say: "I did not say that I had ceased all political activity or that I had taken the path of contrition prescribed by the committee . . ." He concluded his letter saying that Congressman Walter's charge was "utter and easily disprovable nonsense," without attempting to disprove it.

As late as December 6, 1961 Lardner played a prominent part at a meeting of the New York Committee to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee held at Manhattan Center. Present were such stalwarts as Pete Seeger, William Uphaus and Mrs. Frank Wilkinson, and the chairman was Otto Nathan, who has been denied a passport and who has been cited for contempt. Lardner spoke and introduced all the people who had had difficulties with the HCUA.

The technical formalities of Party membership have in the past proven quite flexible. For example, there was a time when Party law prescribed that if you, as a member of the Party, were asked about your Party membership by a member of an investigating committee, your membership was automatically terminated as of that moment. Thus you could swear that you were not a member



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without committing perjury. It would appear, though, that this tactic has gone out of style since the Party has discovered the manifold blessings of the Fifth Amendment.

There is also flexibility in the Party regulations as it applies to a person who holds public office or whom the Party is grooming for public office. In order to avoid the possibility of defection and thus exposure of a political figure such persons are sworn into membership in secret by a high official of the Party, without any other formal recognition of Party membership in terms of written records. This is probably the reason that the membership of Alger Hiss was so well concealed.

When appraising the completeness of a person's break with the Party, it is not so important to determine whether the person has left the Party as it is to determine whether the Party has left him. It is quite a common practice among persons who find Party discipline a burden to withdraw from formal Party membership by agreement with Party officials but to continue to serve the Party in some area where strict discipline is not required. Such persons may then take a moderate anti-communist position. They may even mildly criticize the foreign policy of the Soviet Union without coming in for Party criticism. However, if they offend the Party on some major point, then the Party will leave THEM and they will be denounced in Party organs and ostracized in every phase of communist activity. It is usually at this point that such a person learns for the first time the real nature of the apparatus to which he was attached.

The experience of Edward Dmytryk, the only one of the original ten who has completely broken with the Party, points up this flexible arrangement. He joined the Party in 1944. Shortly thereafter he was approached by John Howard Lawson, who requested him to direct the picture he was working on in accordance with communist concepts. Dmytryk rebelled at such instructions. Lawson then advised him that as a member of the Party he had no right to refuse such instructions—that if Dmytryk didn't expect to accept Party discipline he should resign and confine his communist activity to work in fronts. It was all very friendly. Dmytryk agreed and did, in fact, resign. It is significant to note, however, that the Party's hold on him was sufficiently strong to cause him to accept the Party's position when he appeared before the HCUA in 1947.

It is clear now that Dmytryk was under Party influence until he returned from serving the sentence imposed on him for contempt of Congress. At this point he determined to throw it off and solicited the help of the anti-communists to do so. On April 25, 1951 he ap-

peared as a cooperative witness before the HCUA. The Party then attacked him and for the first time he learned the true nature of the Communist apparatus with which he had been associated. It also seems clear that Lardner has not yet reached this point in his relationship with the Party. He may have formally left the Party as he says but the Party has not yet left him.

The communists have tried very hard to destroy those persons who have testified before the Committee as friendly witnesses. Unfortunately, many Americans have rendered support to this effort by their failure to understand the deceptive nature of the communist appeal. The communists have sold the idea that such witnesses are informing on their associates rather than helping a government agency uncover a diabolical conspiracy aimed at the freedom of all of us, including those who were duped. The public must understand that the vast majority of Americans who found themselves involved in the communist conspiracy were well-intentioned persons who never had any thought of harming America. They were deceived into believing they were serving a good, humanitarian purpose. Thus, when they discover the deception they want to make a clean breast of it.

Those who do so can expect the full measure of communist wrath. At this point they need the support and understanding of all anti-communists, and

failure to give it only serves the communist end. It is, however, important that such persons be sincere and their break with the Party complete. Their good intentions do not lessen the harm done by their actions but it does make it possible to bring them over to the American side. This is why it is so important that they name names for this is the only way by which one can determine with certainty that the Party has actually left *them*. The communists attempt to maintain the delusion that to testify is to betray their former associates. Such betrayal is the unpardonable sin. Mr. Lardner's effort to smear such witnesses as Martin Berkeley, Robert Rossen, etc., follows the pattern by which the Party hopes to destroy such persons. It is remarkable how successful such attacks have been.

It is not the dupes who are our real enemies. They are important only if the communists have a line of communication with them. It is the hard core that we are after, those persons who are in reality an extension of the worldwide military machine which is threatening our very survival. The American communist is as much a part of the effort to destroy us as the general who commands the Red Army. As the strength of these armies grows the American communist becomes potentially a greater threat to our survival. The dupes are not blameless but those who fail to distinguish between the dupe and those in the hard core not only do an injustice to well-intentioned Americans but they also help to hide the extremely dangerous hard core. Mr. Lardner's article is a masterpiece for the creation of such confusion.

The last issue which is raised by Mr. Lardner is the question of motion picture content. He does not dwell on this but he implies that any such allegation is ridiculous and not really worthy of comment. Actually this is the most important issue of all, for if Hollywood was *really* important to the program of world revolution it was important in this area.

Hollywood officialdom has always vigorously denied that there has been any influence of film content by communist writers of screen plays. However, such denials usually come from persons who have otherwise demonstrated their inability to recognize communism and how it works.

Recently a prominent Hollywood producer, who specializes in "message" pictures, publicly stated, in answer to criticism leveled at him for hiring known communist writers, that he would assume full responsibility for seeing to it that no communist propaganda reached the screen. This same producer, during the 1940's, was a teacher in a communist school in Hollywood. When asked why he agreed to teach there he stated that he did not know it was a communist school. It is difficult to understand how

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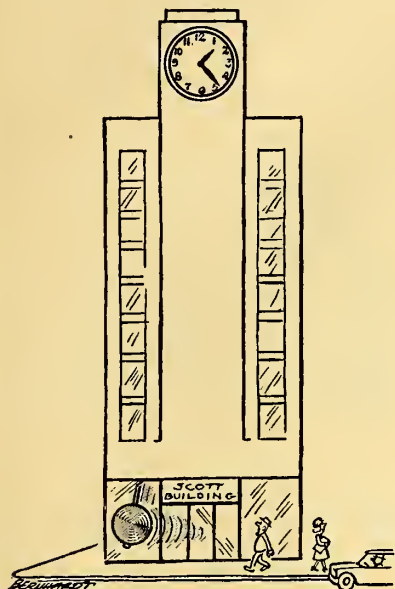
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Amen.

he could be so sure he would recognize communist propaganda in screen plays when he could actually teach in a communist school and not know that it was communist. The truth is that his "message" pictures, some of them written by communist writers, have been a source of great satisfaction, down through the years, to those who have been directing the communist program in America.



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I am sure most of the people who "defended" Hollywood against the charge of communist influence sincerely believed they had frustrated the efforts of the communist movement to "doctor" our films. But if they didn't understand what the communists were trying to achieve, it is not logical that they could determine whether or not they had achieved it.

It is clear that they did not understand. But in this they were not alone. During this same period, communist influence within the areas of our national life has helped to create many of the problems plaguing the free world. Hollywood was no better or no worse than the rest of the nation in this regard. But its industry was more important. More important, because the communists were using it to help prepare the world for the confusion that has made it possible for them to conquer half the world without firing a shot.

Hollywood movies during the 1930's and 1940's occupied 75 percent of all the screen time in the free world. And if our American producers didn't understand the propaganda value of their pictures, the communists did. They had discovered that movies were the most effective force ever created for playing on the emotions, frustrations and fears of peoples of the world—peoples, who in

many cases were being prepared to throw off the structure of our western civilization without having a stable structure to take its place. The movies were only a part of communism's program of confusion, but they were important. The new line was not to sell communism as such but to subtly undermine western institutions.

In Hollywood the center of communist influence was the Screen Writers Guild. The communist program to seduce the creative writers of America first took form at the second meeting of the International League of Revolutionary Writers held in Kharkov, Russia in 1930. The original program was an open revolutionary movement — its revolutionary purpose was not disguised. Its first effort in America was the formation of John Reed Clubs named after the young Harvard student who wrote "The Ten Days That Shook the World."

While these early efforts attracted some important writers, they were not successful in making serious inroads into American thought. Then the communists discovered the "Yenan Way." This was the name given to the tactic of the popular front—the "boring from within" technique. It was called this because it was first developed by the Chinese Communists of Yen-an Province.

It was presented to Stalin, who, realist that he was, had it tried out in Chile by a young communist named Euducio Ravines. Ravines later broke with the Party and became a militant anti-communist. Recently he appeared in Chile at a Moral Rearmament Rally and apologized for the work he had done there in perfecting the popular front.

This new tactic was so successful that in the middle thirties it became the official communist program in America and in most of the world. Its success in America was no less phenomenal than in South America. The New Deal was dominating the political life of America so the reds moved in on it. In a short time they had not only infiltrated our political life but our government as well. New Deal legislation had released a pent-up demand for union organization so the communists infiltrated the unions. For quite some time they dominated the CIO. They moved into the field of literature and education, into the theatre and the arts—and Hollywood.

In Hollywood their key man was John Howard Lawson. He first appeared on the scene in 1932 as an organizer of the first John Reed Club formed in New York. He next appeared as the organizer of the Screen Writers Guild in Hollywood in 1934. He became its first vice-president and its mentor until after the hearings in 1947. Recognized as the Cultural Commissar of Hollywood, he was the Party authority on all matters affecting the creative arts in Hollywood.

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With the advent of the popular Front technique, Lawson came into his own. "Revolutionary Writers" became "Progressive Writers" and instead of writing about World Revolution they began to write about poverty, corruption, injustice, bigotry and discrimination. They downgraded patriotism and religion in American life.

Heretofore movies had been considered an entertainment medium. Controversial subjects had been avoided because they cut the entertainment potential and usually made less money. The first real victory of communist influence in Hollywood was the discarding of this practice. The reds won acceptance of the idea that the movies should carry a social message. The next step was to sell the idea that movies should deal with the "realities of life," and to write about realities it was necessary to experience them. Thus writers were urged to march on picket lines and otherwise taste the sordid side of life. Out of this came a tendency toward stories dealing with violence, sex, divorce, prostitution and miscegenation. Pictures began to make heroes and sympathetic characters out of persons who were outside the pale of social acceptability. The underlying theme of all these motion pictures was that America was a nation of "decadent bourgeoisie."

This, of course, was not communist propaganda in the fullest sense but it developed naturally from Hollywood's communist influence on creative artists. Those who failed to fall in line were scorned as having sold their literary soul. Better to write a flop that had social significance than a successful screenplay that only entertained!

Communist influence was not confined to Party members. Generally the

reds were successful in getting most of what they wanted by convincing those who fell for the "progressive" line, that they were rendering a great humanitarian service.

They were able to set the fashion for what was accepted as "good" writing. Most writers followed their lead. How was this possible, you might ask? It wasn't too difficult. First they were a disciplined, secret group who had a definite program. They were lavish with their praise for those who went along and they were ruthless in their attacks on those who fought them. They were uninhibited by any scruples. They had good connections with the press. Hollywood personalities soon learned that it was *much* more comfortable to be on their side.

During the same period that the Screen Writers Guild was developing in Hollywood, the American Newspaper Guild was being formed in the East. While the Newspaper Guild ultimately threw off its pro-communist leadership, the influence of the Party at that time was clearly discernible. This influence extended to the press agents who were a bridge between the newspapermen and the screen writers. At one point both of the Screen Publicists Guilds, one in Hollywood and the other in New York, were under communist domination. Thus the reds not only sold the idea to the writers that "progressive" writing was good but they were in a strategic position to sell it to the public as well.

Obviously they had to handle themselves very carefully. During this period the industry was under tight control of the major producing companies, whose officials had no sympathy with communism even though they were not knowledgeable on the subject. However, the

heads of the producing companies didn't want to be considered reactionary, so many went along with much of the "progressive" program. The communists utilized all the issues of the day to gain positions of leadership. They made a bold bid to get control of the labor unions but they were frustrated in this by the solidarity and the determination of the American Federation of Labor. Had they achieved this control they would certainly have become more aggressive, but fortunately they never achieved the strength of this position. It was as a result of their failure to win the labor fight that the anti-communist forces finally solidified and the hearings which ultimately deposed the reds were made possible.

And where was Mr. Lardner during this? He was at the right hand of Mr. Lawson along with about 40 or 50 others who constituted the "hard core" of the Hollywood communist apparatus, manipulating many others who were actually their victims, whose well-intentioned efforts to serve humanity and human injustice were exploited to help build the most inhuman institution in the history of man.

While the communists were frustrated in gaining the control they had hoped for during this period—the effort is by no means dead. The fight is still going on and the deterioration of the American film industry in relation to foreign industry is traceable in part to this continuing fight. Most of the goals of the "progressive writers" in terms of picture content have been achieved.

The communist issue will never be a black and white issue in America. It will always be disguised and confused as it was in Hollywood. But we must learn to understand, expose and isolate the communist influence if we are to combat it successfully. To do this we must learn a few fundamentals and the first is to remember that you can never judge a communist by what he *says*—only by what he *does*.

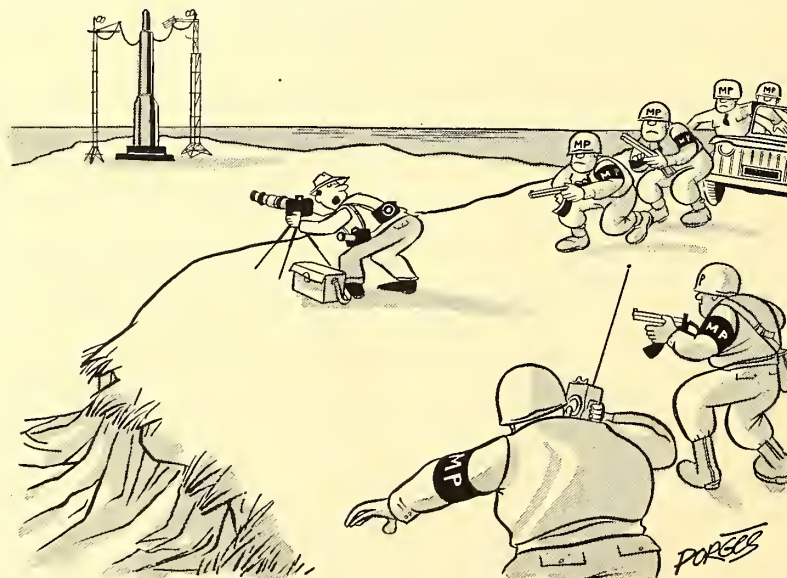
He does not accept our standards of truth—for truth to him is what the Party says it is—it has no relation to fact.

He cannot be depended upon to do what is right in terms of our moral and ethical standards for right is to him that which serves the interest of the Party.

Thus when a writer says he is not using his position to inject propaganda into films such assurances mean nothing when they come from a disciplined member of the Party.

When the American people come to know the conspiracy as we in Hollywood saw it, I am sure they will conclude that there is no place for communists in Hollywood, or, for that matter, in any other place in American life.

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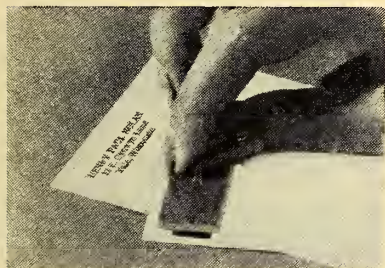
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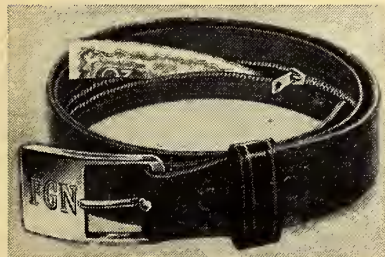
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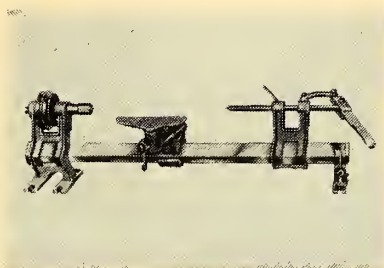
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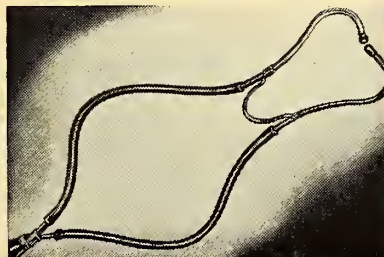
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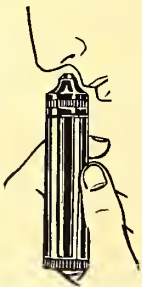
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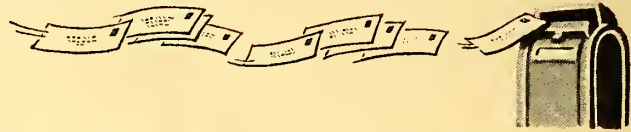
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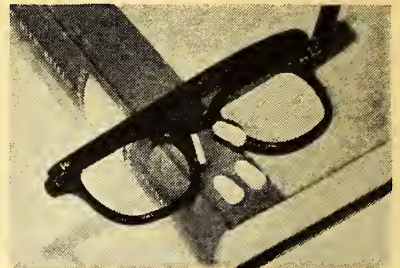
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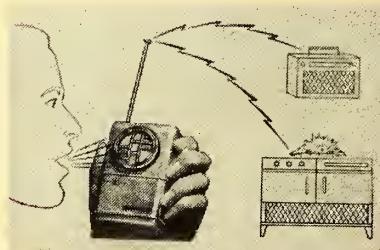
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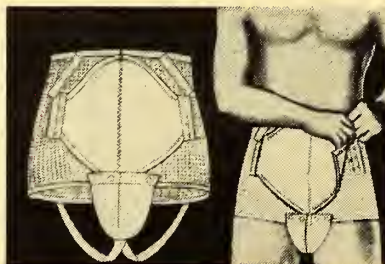
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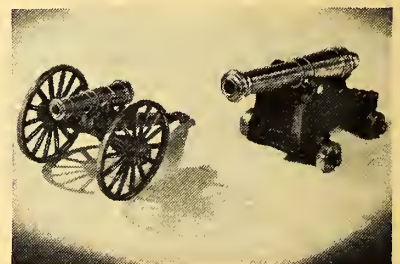
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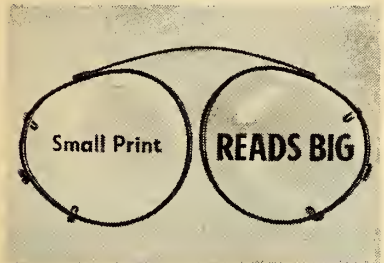
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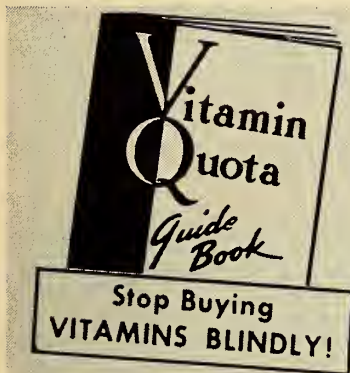
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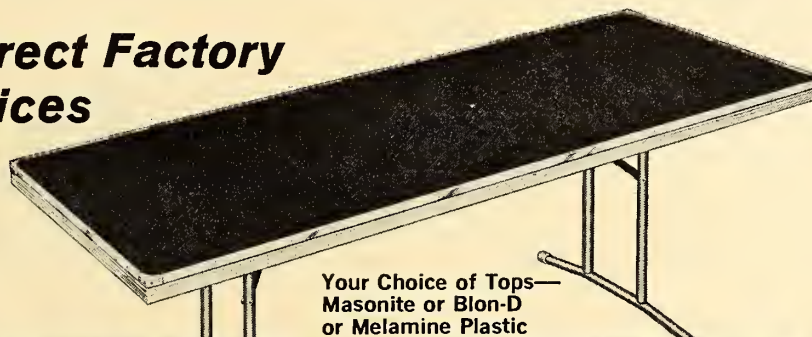
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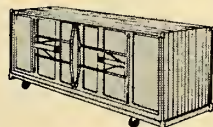
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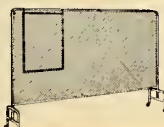
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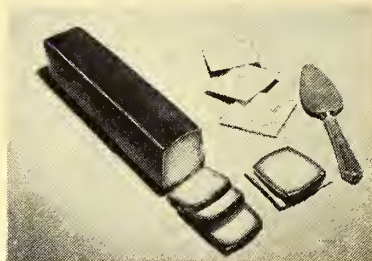
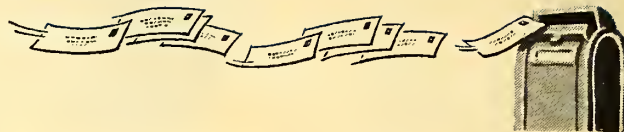
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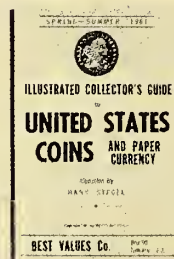
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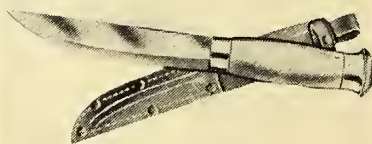
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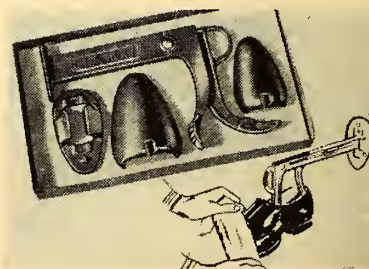
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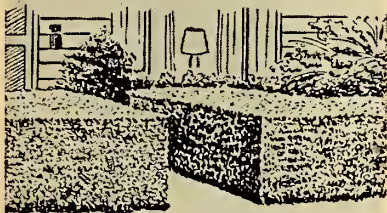
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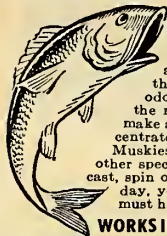


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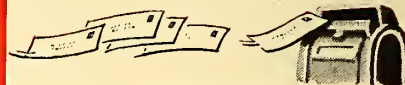
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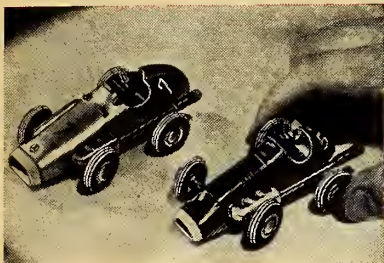
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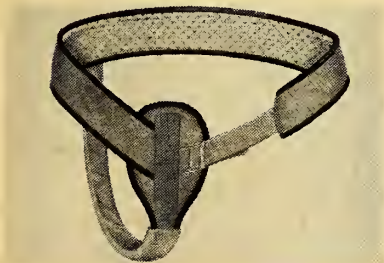
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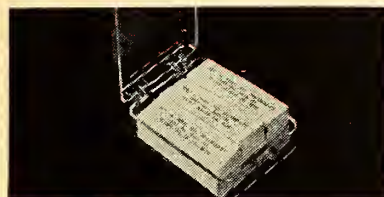
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"Conductor," said the bishop, looking with a sneer at the admiral's braid, "can you direct me to platform five?"

"Certainly, madam," the admiral replied. "But in your condition, are you sure you should be traveling?"

L. A. WARD

THREE WAY SPLIT

"What happened to that pretty wife you used to saw in half at every performance?" a fan asked a magician.

"We're divorced," was the reply, "and she's living in St. Paul and Minneapolis."

AL SPONG

ECONOMY

The Scot went into a telegraph office and asked "How much is a telegram to California?"

"Five cents a word for ten words," said the clerk. "There is no charge for the signature."

The Scot looked musingly at the clerk.

"There will be no charge for the signature?" he repeated questioningly.

"That's right," nodded the clerk.

The Scot rubbed his forehead and finally suggested:

"Suppose you just send my signature then."

The clerk grinned, "All right. What's your name?" he asked.

"Well," said the Scot, "I may not look it, but I'm an Indian and my name is 'I-won't-be-home-till-Friday.'"

L. MURPHY

PROTECTION

We know of a wealthy mobster who hired a second bodyguard, because he felt two hoods were better than one.

DAVID O. FLYNN

GET THE RIGHT SLANT

The medical word for cockeyed is

"strabismus"

Which gives us a handy cockeyed rhyme for Christmas

When all of our cockeyed worries cease to trouble,

And from the Poles to Panama's Isthmus (The only other rhyme for Christmas)

Our hearts are light and gay and our spirits bubble,

And Yule-tide happiness knows no stint. (And if you don't see it that way, I'd hint — Get the Doc to straighten your cockeyed

squint!)

JIM DAVIS

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Economy is a way of spending your money without getting any fun out of it.

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